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LAKE BEULAH

YACHT CLUB

INCORPORATED UNDER THE STATE CHARTER AT THE OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE, AT MADISON, WISCONSIN, AUGUST 11, 1893.

MEMBER OF THE
INLAND LAKE YACHTING ASSOCIATION

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ARTICLES OF ASSOCIATION

We, the undersigned citizens of the United States, being desirous of associating ourselves together, and of incorporating ourselves under the laws of the State of Wisconsin, for the object of encouraging and promoting Yacht Sailing and Building and the protection of Fish and Game, do hereby certify:

First. That the name of this Association or Club shall be known in law as THE LAKE BEULAH YACHT CLUB.

Second. The particular business and object for which said Club or Association is formed is to encourage and promote the sport of Yacht Sailing and the protection of Fish and Game.

Third. The principal office of said Club or Association shall be located in the town of Lake Beulah, Walworth County, Wisconsin.

Fourth. The business affairs and funds of said Club or Association shall be conducted, managed and controlled by five Trustees.

Fifth. The names of the Trustees for the first year of the existence of said Corporation are:

John Porter

William D. Hudson

C. Furness Hately

H. Newton Hudson

Edward C. Chamberlin

COPY OF

CERTIFICATE OF INCORPORATION

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

STATE OF WISCONSIN

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME:

I, T. J. Cunningham, Secretary of State, of the State of Wisconsin, do hereby certify, that there has been this day filed in this department an instrument in writing, purporting to be Articles of Association with a view of forming a corporation to be known as "THE LAKE BEULAH YACHT CLUB," without Capital Stock, the business and purpose of which shall be to advance the interests of Yachting, Boating and other aquatic sports, and the protection of Game and Fish, and verified as a true copy by the affidavit of C. Furness Hately and J. Greville Wilmot, who appear in said instrument as two of the signers of said articles. Therefore, the State of Wisconsin does hereby grant unto the said "THE LAKE BEULAH YACHT CLUB" the powers and privileges conferred by Chapter 86 of the Revised Statutes of the State of Wisconsin and all acts amendatory thereto, for the purposes above stated, and in accordance with their said Articles of Association.

(SEAL)

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my official seal, at the Capitol in the City of Madison, the 11th day of September, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-three.

T. J. Cunningham, Secretary of State

CONSTITUION

OF THE

LAKE BEULAH YACHT CLUB

ARTICLE I

NAME

The name of this corporation shall be the "Lake Beulah Yacht Club."

The headquarters of the Club shall be at Lake Beulah, Walworth Co., Wisconsin.

ARTICLE II

OFFICERS, TRUSTEES AND COMMITTEES

The Officers of the Club shall consist of a Commodore, Vice-Commodore, Rear-Commodore, Secretary, Treasurer, Measurer, and the following: a Board of Trustees, consisting of the Commodore (who shall be chairman), the Secretary, and three other members of the Club; a Membership Committee, consisting of the Board of Trustees; a Race Committee, consisting of three members of the Club; a House Committee, consisting of the Board of Trustees, and a Board of Judges,

consisting of three members of the Club.

ARTICLE III

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

The Officers of the Club shall be elected at the annual meeting, which shall be held on the last Saturday in August.

They shall be elected by ballot, and, with the exception of the Board of Trustees, shall hold office for one year, or until their successors have been duly elected.

At the annual meeting in August, 1898, there shall be elected one member of the Board of Trustees to serve for three years, one member to serve for two years and one member to serve for one year; and at each annual meeting thereafter, one member shall be elected to serve for three years.

Vacancies in the Board of Trustees, or among the Officers may be filled at any meeting, notice having been sent to each member of the Club.

The Commodore and Vice-Commodore must be yacht owners at the time of their election.

ARTICLE IV

COMMODORE

It shall be the duty of the Commodore to take command of the squadron, and to preside at all meetings. He may call a meeting of the Club at his pleasure, and shall do so at the request of three members, two of whom shall be owners of yachts.

ARTICLE V

VICE-COMMODORE

It shall be the duty of the Vice-Commodore to assist the Commodore in the discharge of his duties, and to officiate in his absence.

ARTICLE VI

REAR-COMMODORE

It shall be the duty of the Rear-Commodore to assist the Commodore and Vice-Commodore in the discharge of their duties and to officiate in their absence.

ARTICLE VII

SECRETARY

It shall be the duty of the Secretary to keep a record of the proceedings of all meetings of the Club in a book provided for that purpose.

To keep a correct roll of all the members, to keep a list of the name, dimensions, rig and ownership of each yacht enrolled in the Club Squadron.

To notify members elect of their election, and to notify each member of every meeting and regatta.

To file all documents, records, reports and communications connected with the business of the Club.

To have Club books printed and distributed to the members.

To act as Secretary of the Membership Committee, and also as Clerk of the Corporation.

In case of inability to attend any meeting, to cause the necessary books and papers to be conveyed to the place of meeting.

ARTICLE VIII

TREASURER

It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to receive all

moneys payable to the Club, and at his discretion to employ a suitable person to collect all delinquent dues; to pay all bills which have been approved by the Board of Trustees, and no bill shall be paid by the Treasurer until so approved.

To keep a correct account of all the financial transactions of the Club in a book provided for that purpose.

To make a detailed report at each annual meeting of the receipts and expenditures of the Club.

On or before the first day of October, to render a bill to each member of the Club of his dues for the current year.

All moneys collected for races shall be paid to the Treasurer, and all cash prizes shall be paid by the Treasurer, upon the written order of the Race Committee, and countersigned by the Commodore.

ARTICLE IX

REMISSION OF DUES

The dues of the Secretary and Treasurer may be remitted each year if found desirable by the Board of Trustees, and such sums shall be allowed them for clerical assistance as the Board of Trustees may appropriate.

ARTICLE X

MEASURER

It shall be the duty of the measurer to measure all yachts enrolled in the Club. He shall be at the Judges' orders at least one hour before the time set for the starting of every race, and shall be prepared to measure yachts at the direction of the Judges.

He shall remain subject to the orders of the Judges until released by them.

He shall make returns of all measurements to the chairman of the Race Committee, and shall send duplicate returns to the Club Secretary.

ARTICLE XI

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

It shall be the duty of the Board of Trustees to have charge of all the property, real and personal, belonging to the Corporation, and sign all documents, papers, etc., relating to same.

They shall apportion all money to be expended by the Race Committee and House Committee as they shall think to be

for the best interest of the Club. All bills against the Club shall be certified by the member contracting such bills.

They shall then be referred to the Board of Trustees, and no bill shall be paid until approved by the Board and countersigned by the Commodore.

The Board of Trustees shall audit the Treasurer's and all other accounts, and make a report at the annual meeting.

ARTICLE XII

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

New members shall be elected by the Membership Committee.

Each candidate for admission must be proposed and seconded in writing, the name, occupation and address of the candidate, with the names of the members proposing and seconding him, to be sent to the Secretary, and a copy of such proposal for membership shall be sent to each member, and shall be posted on the bulletin board at the Club House, during the yachting season, for two weeks previous to the voting on the candidate.

If two members shall, before the candidate is voted upon, sign and file with the Secretary written objections to such

proposal, it shall be deemed withdrawn, and shall not be voted upon until such objections are waived.

Candidates to be elected members must receive four affirmative votes of the Membership Committee.

ARTICLE XIII

RACE COMMITTEE

It shall be the duty of the Race Committee to arrange all races and make regulations for the government of the same, in accordance with the racing rules of the Club.

As soon as may be, after their election, the Committee shall organize by the choice of a chairman.

The chairman of the Committee shall issue notices of all meetings of the Race Committee.

On the decision of a race the chairman of the Race Committee shall send, within one day, an official notice of the same to the Club Secretary, the Treasurer, and the owners of the winning yachts.

At the annual meeting the Committee shall make a report covering their work for the past year.

ARTICLE XIV

HOUSE COMMITTEE

It shall be the duty of the House Committee to prescribe and enforce such rules and regulations as they shall deem necessary for the proper government of the Club House, and post the same in some conspicuous place therein. They shall select and hire such employees as they shall deem necessary, and shall determine their compensation.

They shall regulate the prices of food and refreshments and charges of all kinds at the Club House.

At the annual meeting the Committee shall make a report of all matters relating to the management of the Club House.

ARTICLE XV

BOARD OF JUDGES

The Board of Judges shall consist of members who are not owners of racing yachts.

On the day of the race the Judges shall take charge of the race, and of all yachts sailing therein, and they shall decide all questions necessary to its management.

Upon the decision of a race the Chairman of the Board

of Judges, owing to temporary absence, or other inability to act, the remaining member or members of the Board shall appoint a substitute to fill every such vacancy. In the event of none of the Judges being present, the Commodore shall appoint the required number. Any person, appointed as above, shall serve for that day only and need not be a member of the Club, but shall fill all the other requirements.

ARTICLE XVI

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

At least four weeks previous to the annual meeting a nominating committee, consisting of three members shall be appointed by the Commodore to nominate officers for the ensuing year, and to prepare and put in shape questions which are to be voted upon at the annual meeting.

The Nominating Committee shall prepare their list of Officers, and return the same to the Club Secretary in time so that it may be sent to members with the notices of the annual meeting.

ARTICLE XVII

MEMBERSH IP

No person under twenty-one years of age shall be eligible

for membership, except yacht owners, who shall be at least eighteen, and no candidate who has been rejected shall be again proposed for membership within six months thereafter.

ARTICLE XVIII HONORARY MEMBERS

By a unanimous vote, at an annual meeting, Honorary Membership may be conferred upon any person retiring from active membership with honorable discharge, or upon any person not a member, whose position or achievements are such as to entitle him to such mark of esteem. Honorary Members shall enjoy all the privileges of the Club, except voting at meetings, and they shall be exempt from all dues.

ARTICLE XIX QUORUM

A quorum shall consist of five members.

ARTICLE XX VOTING BY PROXY

Any member who shall file with the Secretary a written authority from any other member to represent him at any

meeting of the Club, may vote in behalf of such other member, and in his name. Such authority must be for a specified meeting and be valid only for that meeting, or an adjournment hereof.

Roberts' "Rules of Order" shall govern all meetings of the Club.

ARTICLE XXI

AMENDMENTS

This Constitution may be amended at any meeting by giving due notice, but no amendment shall be valid until approved at a subsequent meeting.

BY-LAWS

CHAPTER I

ORDER OF BUSINESS

The Commodore, or in his absence, the officer of the highest rank present, shall take the chair and call the meeting to order. A quorum being present, the order of business shall be as follows:

- Calling the Roll
- 2. Reading of Minutes
- Reports of Officers
- Reports of Committees
- Election of Officers
- 5. Unfinished Business
- New Business
- 8. Remarks
- Adjournment

CHAPTER II

DUES

Each candidate for membership in the Club, on his election, shall be enrolled a member, on payment of the sum of five dollars, which shall include his dues for the current year; and he shall be entitled to none of the privileges of the Club, until his dues are paid. Failure to make this payment within thirty days, shall render such election null and void.

Each subsequent annual payment shall be three dollars, and shall be come due at the annual meeting of each year.

Any member whose dues remain unpaid June 1st shall be dropped from the list of members, unless excused by the Board of Trustees, and his membership in the Club shall cease.

Any member whose indebtedness to the Club remains unpaid November 1st shall, unless excused by the Board of Trustees, be dropped from the Club.

Members who are absent from Lake Beulah during the whole of the fiscal year, commencing on the last Saturday in August, shall be exempt from their dues for such year, provided they give notice of their intended absence to the Secretary.

CHAPTER III

ENROLLMENT AND CHANGE OF OWNERSHIP

Any yacht measuring not less than fourteen feet on the water line, owned wholly or in part by a member of the Club, may be enrolled in the yacht squadron, upon the owner or owners filing with the Secretary a description of the yacht.

Each member upon buying or selling a yacht, or an interest therein, shall give notice of the same to the Secretary.

A member's purchase of a partial interest in a yacht, not already enrolled in the Club, shall not entitle such yacht to entry in a Club Race, until such ownership shall have been recorded with the Secretary for at least thirty days.

CHAPTER IV

CLUB SIGNAL

The signal of the Club shall be a pointed burgee, its

width being two-thirds of its length. It shall be divided into two triangles; the one next to the luff being red, and the end white. The base of each triangle, on the top of the burgee, shall be one-half its length on top, the apex of the triangles meeting at the bottom of the luff. In the center of the red triangle there shall be the white letter "L" and in the center of the white triangle the red letter "B."

CHAPTER V

OFFICERS' PENNANTS

The Commodore's pennant shall be a rectangle, with a fouled anchor in white on a blue field, and three stars parallel with the staff. The Vice-Commodore's is the anchor in white on a red field, and two stars. The Rear-Commodore's is the anchor in blue on a white field, and one star.

CHAPTER VI

PRIVATE SIGNALS

A yacht owner's private signal shall be swallow-tailed, the width being two-thirds of the length, and width of swallow-tail one-half the width of flag.

CHAPTER VII

DIMENSIONS OF SIGNALS AND PENNANTS

The Club signal, officers' pennants and private

signals shall not exceed one and a half inches in length to each foot of length on deck of yacht; width two-thirds of the length.

CHAPTER VIII

NOTICES

Notices of the annual meeting shall be sent to every member at least seven days previous to the meeting; of all special meetings at least three days before such meeting.

A full statement of any proposed amendment to the Constitution, By-Laws, or Racing Rules shall be inserted in such notice.

CHAPTER IX

EXPULSIONS

In case of any occurrence injurious to the welfare of the Club, the name or names of any member or members implicated therein, may be removed from the list of members, by a vote of the majority of the Board of Trustees, provided that he or they shall have been heard or offered a hearing.

CHAPTER X

RESIGNATIONS

Resignations must be made in writing, to the Secretary before the annual meeting in each year and no resignation

shall be accepted, until the member is clear from all indebtedness to the Club. No resignation, received after the annual meeting, shall relieve the member presenting it, from his annual dues for the current year.

Upon the termination of his membership, whether by resignation, expulsion or otherwise, a member thereby forfeits all rights and interests in the property of the Club.

CHAPTER XI

<u>AMENDMENTS</u>

These By-Laws may be amended at any meeting, provided due notice has been given.

RACING RULES

RULE 1

MANAGEMENT

All races and all yachts sailing therein shall be under the control and direction of the Board of Judges. All matters shall be subject to their approval and control, and all questions and disputes, which may arise, shall be decided by them.

RULE 2

APPLICATION

Yachts shall be amenable to the rules from the time the preparatory signal is given until the finish of the race.

RULE 3

OWNERSHIP

No two yachts, owned wholly or in part by the same person, shall compete in the same class.

RULE 4

MEASUREMENT

1. The racing measurement of a yacht shall be determined by adding to the load water-line length the square root of the sail area, and dividing the sum by two.

Formula: L.W.L. + V Sail Area = Racing Measurement.

- 2. The load water-line length of a yacht shall be measured without the crew on board, but instead thereof a dead weight shall be carried amidships, approximately at the center of buoyancy, during measurement. The weight so carried shall be 450 pounds in Class A, 300 pounds in Class B, and 200 pounds in Class C.
- 3. The factor of sail area, used in determining racing measurement, shall be ascertained by adding to the actual area of the mainsail, computed from its exact dimensions, the area of the fore-triangle.
- 4. The hoist of the mainsail, when measured, shall be marked on the mast, and its outer points shall be marked on the boom and gaff or other spars, used to set sails, by black bands one inch wide, painted around the spars. The sail shall not be set beyond these limiting points.
- 5. The area of the mainsail shall be determined by hoisting the sail, setting peak and luff up taut and letting go the topping lift, allowing the weight of the boom to act on the sail. The lengths shall be taken along the head, foot, luff, leach and the diagonal line from throat to clew of sail, measuring from the inner edges of the marks. From the measurements, so taken, a sail-plan shall be made, and the areas calculated therefrom, according to the method for determining the area of a triangle, by multiplying the base by one half the height. Any rounding or roaching of the edges of any sail shall be included in the area of the sail.

For any sail that cannot be measured by this method, the Measurer shall make a plan of same and refer the case to the Race Committee.

6. The fore-triangle shall be determined by the following factors: a) The height shall be the perpendicular distance between the deck and a point on the forestay, above which the jib shall not be hoisted.

- b) The base shall be the distance between the forward side of the mast, at the deck, and the point of intersection of the forestay with the bowsprit or hull. Any jib, when set, must not extend beyond the upper and forward points above defined.
- 7. No yacht shall enter a race until she has been measured by the Club Measurer, and a certificate of her racing measurement has been filed with the Race Committee
- 8. The Race Committee and Judges reserve the right to have any yacht measured at their pleasure, but such remeasurement shall be made at the expense of the Club. All measurements shall be made in the presence of the owner of the yacht or his representative.
- 9. A suitable tape shall be provided for the use of the Measurer, and this tape shall be used in all measurements of the Club yachts.
- 10. In the case of yachts entering from another club, the Race Committee may accept a certificate of measurement signed by the official Measurer of this Club from which said yacht may be entered.
- ll. In all cases where no such certificate is presented, the official Measurer of this Club shall measure said yacht at the expense of the owner.

CLASSIFICATION

- 1. Yachts shall be divided into classes according to their racing measurement, as follows:
 - Class A. Sloop-rigged yachts under 20 feet and over 17 feet.
 - Class B. Sloop-rigged yachts under 17 feet. Class C. Cat-rigged yachts under 16 feet.

TIME ALLOWANCE

- 1. Races shall be sailed without time allowance.
- 2. This rule shall not apply to those yachts enrolled in the Club previous to January first, 1897, and time allowance shall only be used as between such yachts.
- 3. Time allowance shall be computed according to the tables adopted by the Club, and annexed hereto.

RULE 7

ENTRIES

- l. All entries shall be made in writing, and shall be signed by the owner or his representative, giving the name of the yacht, class and racing measurement.
- 2. Entries must be filed with the Race Committee not later than twenty-four hours previous to the time of starting.

RULE 8

INSTRUCTIONS

- 1. The owner of each yacht entered for a race shall, at the time of entry, or as soon thereafter as possible, be supplied with written or printed instructions as to the conditions of the race and the courses to be sailed.
- 2. The Race Committee may change the courses or amend the instructions, provided notice of such change is given to the owner of each yacht before the preparatory signal is made.

- 3. In the absence of the owner, the delivery of instructions to any person on board his yacht shall be sufficient.
- 4. Nothing shall be considered a mark in the course, unless especially named in these instructions. It shall also be designated on which side marks and buoys shall be passed or rounded.

RESTRICTIONS

1. All yachts shall be restricted to working sails, as follows:

Sloops: Mainsail and jib.

Cat Boats: Mainsail only.

- 2. The total area of the mainsail and foretriangle shall not exceed 500 square feet in Class A or 350 square feet in Class B. The area of the mainsail alone shall not exceed 80 per cent of the total area.
- 3. A yacht's draft of hull or keel shall not exceed 5 feet, and with the centerboard down shall not exceed 6 feet. Draft shall be determined when yachts are in trim for measurement.
- 4. Centerboards shall be so constructed that they can be wholly housed without leaving any projection below the hull or keel.

WULE 10

HELMSMAN

The wheel or tiller of each yacht shall be held only by

an amateur, who must be a member of this Club, or of the Club from which the yacht is entered.

RULE 11

CREW

- 1. None but amateurs shall be allowed on board of any yacht.
- 2. An amateur, for the purpose of this rule, shall be defined to be one who has never received money or equivalent compensation for sailing or assisting to sail a boat, since this Club was organized.
- 3. The total actual weight of the crew, including all clothes, personal apparel and belongings, worn by them or carried on board during any race, shall not exceed 700 pounds in Class A, 500 pounds in Class B, or 350 pounds in Class C.

RULE 12

FITTINGS AND BALLAST

- l. Two serviceable life buoys shall be carried and placed within easy reach of the helmsman.
- 2. Shifting of ballast shall not be allowed. Weighted counterboards shall be considered fixed ballast.
- 3. No outrigger or other mechanical device for carrying live ballast outboard, shall be allowed.

RULE 13

PRIVATE SIGNALS AND NUMBERS

The owner's private signal shall be carried at the main peak, and the racing number shall be placed above the reef points, at an equal distance from the luff and leach on each side of the mains ail.

RULE 14

POSTPONEMENT AND RESAIL

- 1: The Judges may postpone a race, should unfavorable weather, or other circumstances, render such a course desirable.
- 2. A race postponed or re-sailed shall be considered a new race.

RULE 15

START AND FINISH

- 1. All starts shall be flying, and shall be "time" or "one-gun" starts, as may be specified in the instructions.
- 2. In time starts, an interval shall be allowed for crossing the line, and the time of each yacht shall be taken when the point marked by the mainmast crosses the starting line. A yacht crossing the line after the starting interval, shall be timed as having crossed at its expiration.
- 3. In one-gun starts, each yacht shall be timed from the starting signal.
- 4. The time of finish of each yacht shall be taken when the point marked by the mainmast crosses the finish line.
- 5. In any start, if the point marked by the mainmast of a yacht has crossed the line, before the signal in her class is made, she must return and re-cross the line.

A yacht so returning, or one working into position from the wrong side of the line, after the first starting signal has been made, must keep clear off and give way to all yachts in the race.

6. A yacht shall not, after crossing the finish line, interfere with any yacht still in the race so as to affect the time of such yacht at the finish.

RULE 16

PROPULSION

No means of propulsion other than sails shall be employed.

RULE 1.7

MARKS

- 1. A mark is any vessel, boat, buoy or other object used to indicate the course, and is not a mark until the starting signal has been given, and does not involve any question of sea room.
- 2. If the courses are not found as stated in the instructions, or should any stake-boat, buoy or other mark be absent or moved from its proper position, during a race, the race may be re-sailed or not at the option of the Judges.

RULE 18

ANCHORING

1. A yacht may anchor during a race, but must weigh anchor again and not slip.

2. A yacht shall not warp or kedge, or make fast to any buoy, stage, pier, boat or other object, except for purposes specified in Rule 19.

RULE 19

RUNNING AGROUND AND FOULING

A yacht running aground or fouling a buoy, pier, vessel or other object, may use her anchor, warp, cable, etc., to get clear, but may not receive any assistance except from the vessel fouled. Any anchor, warp, etc., so used, must be taken on board again before continuing the race.

RULE 20

ACCIDENTS

Every yacht shall render all possible assistance to any yacht or person in peril, and if, in the judgment of the Judges she shall thereby have impaired her chance of winning, they may order the race to be re-sailed between such yacht and the winner in her class.

RULE 21

SOUNDING

No other means of sounding than the hand lead and line shall be employed.

RULE 22

RIGHT OF WAY

when one yacht is approaching another yacht so as to involve a risk of fouling, one of them shall keep clear of the other, as follows:

- 1. On different points of sailing. A yacht free shall keep clear of one close-hauled.
- 2. On the Same Point of Sailing with the Wind on Apposite Sides. When both yachts are close-hauled, or both free, or both have the wind aft and on opposite sides, the yacht with the wind on the port side shall keep clear.

A yacht is deemed to have the wind on the side opposite to that on which she is carrying her main boom.

- 3. On the Same Point of Sailing with the Wind on the Same Side. When both yachts are free or have the wind aft and on the same side, the yacht to windward shall keep clear.
- of a yacht on any other point of sailing.
- 5. Overtaking. An overtaking yacht shall, as long as an overlap exists, keep clear of the yacht which is being overtaken.
- 6. Definition of Overlap. An overlap is established when an overtaking yacht has no longer a free choice of which side she will pass and continues to exist as long as the leeward yacht by luffing, or the weather yacht by bearing away, is in danger of fouling.
- 7. Altering Course. When of two yachts one is obliged to keep clear, the other shall not alter her course so as to involve risk of fouling.
- 8. Luffing. A yacht may luff as she pleases in order to prevent another from passing her to windward, provided she begins to luff before an overlap is established.
- 9. Bearing Away. A yacht shall not bear away out of her course so as to hinder another in passing to leeward.
- 10. Rights on New Courses. A yacht shall not be entitled to her rights on a new course until she has filled away.

- ll. Converging Close-haulded. When two yachts both close hauled on the same tack, are converging by reason of the leeward yacht holding a better wind, and neither can claim the rights of a yacht being overtaken, then the yacht to leeward shall keep clear.
- 12. Passing and Rounding Marks. If an overlap exists between two yachts, when both of them without tacking, are about to pass a mark on the required side, then the outside yacht must give the inside yacht room to pass clear of the mark.
- A yacht shall not, however, be justified in attempting to establish an overlap and thus force a passage between another yacht and the mark, after the latter has altered her helm for the purpose of rounding.
- 13. Obstruction to Sea Room. When a yacht is approaching a shore, shoal, rock, vessel or other dangerous obstruction, and cannot go clear by altering her course without fouling another yacht, then the latter shall, on being hailed by the former, at once give room, and in case one yacht is forced to tack or bear away, in order to give room, the other shall also tack or bear away, as the case may be at as nearly the same time as is possible without danger of fouling, but should such obstruction be a designated mark in the course, a yacht shall not force another to tack under the provisions of this rule.

DISQUALIFICATION

- 1. Every yacht must go fairly around the course, and must not touch any mark, but shall not be disqualified if wrongfully compelled to do so by another.
- 2. If a yacht, in consequence of her neglect of these rules, shall foul another yacht, or compel another yacht to foul any yacht, mark or obstruction, or to run aground, she shall be disqualified, and the owner shall pay all damages.
- 3. The Judges shall, with or without a protest, disqualify any yacht, should it come to their knowledge that she has committed a breach of these rules.

PROTESTS

- l. Notice of intention to protest that a yacht has violated these rules may be given during a race by displaying flag B of the signal code, and keeping such flag flying until answered by the Judges with the answering pennant.
- 2. Protests must filed in writing, with the Judges, within one hour after the close of the race, and must be signed by the owner or his representative.
- 3. If, through protest, the measurement of a yacht be called in question, the Judges shall direct the Measurer to re-measure such yacht, and the result as reported by him shall be final.

RULE 25

AMENDMENTS

- 1. These rules may be amended by a two-thirds vote at any meeting of the Club, provided, however, that the notice of such meeting shall have contained the proposed amendment in full.
- 2. When such amendment is properly before any meeting for consideration, it may, before final action thereon, be changed or amended by a majority vote, provided the changes offered be germane to the subject covered by the amendment first proposed.

YACHT ROUTINE

Section I

Pennants and Private Signals

1. Flag Officers' Pennants.

Flag officers should always fly their pennants while in commission.

2. Owner's Private Signal.

Yachts should fly the private signal of the owner when entering port or when approaching other yachts; at other times the Club flag, except when with the squadron, when Section 2 of Section III should apply.

SECTION II

Salutes

1. Passing.

Yachts passing one another should always exchange salutes by dipping the ensign once, juniors saluting first.

Steam-whistles should never be used to make salutes.

2. From Yachts Entering Port.

The salute from yachts entering port should be made by dipping the ensign once, or by firing a gun, on letting go anchor or coming to moorings.

3. To Yachts Entering Port.

The salute to yachts entering port, entitled to a salute, should be made by dipping the ensign once, or by firing a gun, when they let go anchor or come to moorings.

4. Judges Boat.

A yacht acting as Judges' boat should not be saluted during a race.

SECTION III

With the Squadron

1. Joining or Parting Company.

Yachts should report to the commanding officer on joining the squadron and should obtain his permission before leaving it.

2. Yacht Signals.

Yachts should fly the private signal of the owner, when under way with the squadron; when at anchor, the Club flag.

SECTION IV

Boat Service

1. Precedence.

The order of entering and leaving boats is, juniors enter first and leave last.

2. Boat flags.

Flag officers should fly their pennants and captains their private signals, when in their boats; members, the Club flag. After sunset a white light should be shown at the bow.

3. Salutes.

Passing one another, juniors should salute members by raising the cap.

4. Hailing.

Every boat approaching a yacht at night should be hailed.

5. Answers to Boat Hails.

The answer of the Commodore, when intending to board should be "Commodore"; for junior flag officers "Flag"; for captains and members, "Ay, Ay"; for captains returning on board the name of their yacht; for visitors, "Visitors"; for passing boats "Passing".

SECTION V

Distress Signals

1. When a yacht is disabled and requires assistance from other yachts or from the shore, she should so indicate by hoisting the U. S. Yacht Ensign, upside down. At night by waving a light.