

Seawanhaka Corinthian
Junior Yacht Club

Club Book

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HENRY H. ANDERSON, JR.

OFFICERS

COMMODORE

WARREN MURDOCK, JR.
(Penguin)

VICE COMMODORE

LUCIE TAFT
(Hornet)

REAR COMMODORE

HENRY M. DUYS, JR.
(Seagar)

SECRETARY

AILEEN L. BOWDOIN
Oyster Bay, New York

TREASURER

THEODORE JANEWAY
Oyster Bay, New York

FLEET CAPTAIN

JOHN McVICKAR

TRUSTEES

SEAWANHAKA CORINTHIAN JUNIOR YACHT CLUB

COMMODORE	}	- - - - - Ex officio
VICE COMMODORE		
REAR COMMODORE		
SECRETARY		
TREASURER		

SEAWANHAKA CORINTHIAN YACHT CLUB

COMMODORE	}	- - - Ex officio
VICE COMMODORE		
REAR COMMODORE		
TREASURER		
CHAIRMAN, COMMITTEE ON JUNIOR ACTIVITIES		
CHAIRMAN, HOUSE COMMITTEE		

PERCY S. WEEKS
JULIAN K. ROOSEVELT
HENRY W. TAFT, 2d

COMMITTEES

RACE COMMITTEE

HENRY M. DUYS, JR.,
Chairman
AILEEN L. BOWDOIN
HARRIET JACKSON
THEODORE JANEWAY
HENRY TAFT

HOUSE COMMITTEE

LUCIE TAFT,
Chairman
AILEEN L. BOWDOIN
MARIE HARRIMAN
PHILIPPA ROOSEVELT
MARY THOMPSON

BOAT AND YARD COMMITTEE

JOHN MCVICKAR, *Chairman*
DAVID ANDERSON
JULIAN FISHER
THEODORE JANEWAY
HENRY THOMPSON

PAST OFFICERS

1937

COMMODORE	Henry H. Anderson, Jr.
VICE COMMODORE	Sheila Curtin
REAR COMMODORE	James D. Hurd, 3d
SECRETARY	Nancy Merle-Smith
TREASURER	Robert B. Meyer, Jr.
FLEET CAPTAIN	J. Alfred Roosevelt

1938

COMMODORE	Henry H. Anderson, Jr.
VICE COMMODORE	Sheila Curtin
REAR COMMODORE	James D. Hurd, 3d
SECRETARY	Virginia Bogert
TREASURER	Innis O'Rourke
FLEET CAPTAIN	J. Alfred Roosevelt

1939

COMMODORE	George Nichols, Jr.
VICE COMMODORE	Joan Tucker
REAR COMMODORE	Henry M. Duys, Jr.
SECRETARY	Aileen L. Bowdoin
TREASURER	Warren Murdock, Jr.
FLEET CAPTAIN	Theodore Janeway

HONORARY MEMBERS

CAPTAIN GHERARDI DAVIS, Elected September 9, 1939

MEMBERS

<i>Name</i>	<i>Class</i>	<i>Date of Election</i>
Anderson, David	A	March 23, 1937
Anderson, W. J.	A	March 23, 1937
Appleby, Edgar	A	March 23, 1937
Appleby, Elizabeth	A	March 23, 1937
Auerbach, Frederica	B	April 1, 1939
Ayer, Frederick	B	May 15, 1939
Ayer, Richard B.	B	May 15, 1939
Betts, Phyllis	B	July 26, 1940
Bigelow, E. R.	B	June 16, 1940
Blair, Watson K.	A	March 23, 1937
Bohmfolk, Alice	A	June 14, 1939
Bowdoin, Aileen	A	March 23, 1937
Brokaw, William V.	Associate	August 18, 1939
Bucknall, Richard	A	May 15, 1939
Bucknall, Robert H.	A	May 15, 1939
Bucknall, William S.	A	May 15, 1939
Cushman, Robinson	A	April 1, 1939
Davison, Gates	A	April 1, 1939
Duys, Henry M. Jr.	A	March 23, 1937
Edwards, Harald T., Jr.	Associate	June 14, 1939
Ely, Constance Day	B	May 15, 1939
Fisher, Julian	A	June 30, 1937
Flagg, Allston, Jr.	B	June 14, 1939
Fowler, James A., 3d	A	June 30, 1937

<i>Name</i>	<i>Class</i>	<i>Date of Election</i>
Gibb, Philip	A	June 30, 1939
Gray, Alison	B	June 16, 1940
Grosvenor, Anita	A	May 11, 1937
Grosvenor, Pamela	A	May 11, 1937
Hadley, Arthur	A	July 13, 1938
Harriman, David	B	June 30, 1937
Harriman, Marie	B	July 6, 1937
Harrison, E. L.	A	June 30, 1937
Harrison, M. D.	A	June 30, 1937
Henry, Wm. Barklie	A	June 10, 1940
Howard, Peter	A	June 10, 1940
Hutchins, Waldo, 3d	A	June 10, 1940
Jackson, Frederick	Associate	May 15, 1939
Jackson, Harriet	A	June 30, 1937
Jacob, Walter P., Jr.	B	June 14, 1939
James, Kathryn H.	B	June 16, 1940
James Oliver B.	B	July 26, 1940
Janeway, Elsie	A	March 23, 1937
Janeway, Theodore	A	March 23, 1937
Jennings, Kate DeF.	A	March 23, 1937
Jennings, Mary B.	A	March 23, 1937
Johnson, Eunice	A	August 6, 1937
Johnson, Priscilla P.	A	August 6, 1937
Keating, Marshall P.	Associate	August 9, 1939
Keating, Parker	A	March 23, 1937
Lee, Emily D.	B	June 16, 1940
Leeds, Nancy	A	March 23, 1937
Lefferts, Farnum	A	March 23, 1937
Lefferts, Remsen	A	March 23, 1937
Lloyd-Smith, Virginia	A	March 23, 1937
Lovett, Robert Scott	A	June 15, 1938
Marr, Pamela	B	June 16, 1940
Marr, Peter	B	July 17, 1939
Marsh, Judith	A	June 15, 1938
Martin, Jane F.	A	March 23, 1937
McCuaig, Victor, Jr.	A	May 25, 1937
McVickar, John A.	B	June 15, 1938

<i>Name</i>	<i>Class</i>	<i>Date of Election</i>
Meenan, Joan	B	June 16, 1940
Merle-Smith, Fowler	A	March 23, 1937
Merle-Smith, Margaret	A	March 23, 1937
Mills, Bradford	A	June 14, 1939
Mills, Harriet	Associate	June 14, 1939
Mitchell, Anne J.	A	April 1, 1939
Mitchell, Joan	A	June 30, 1938
Mitchell, Mary A.	A	March 23, 1937
Mooney, Michael McD.	Associate	July 13, 1938
Morgan, Charles F.	A	March 23, 1937
Morgan, Henry S., Jr.	A	March 23, 1937
Morgan, John	Associate	April 1, 1939
Morgan, Miles	A	June 13, 1938
Murdock, Harvey K.	A	April 1, 1939
Murdock, Warren, Jr.	A	June 15, 1937
Nickerson, Adams H.	A	June 30, 1938
Oelsner, Minerva	A	March 23, 1937
Oelsner, Warren	A	March 23, 1937
Powers, Marjorie	B	June 30, 1939
Pratt, Charles, Jr.	A	June 15, 1937
Pratt, M. Felicite	A	June 11, 1940
Pratt, Richardson, Jr.	A	June 13, 1938
Pratt, Ruth B., 2d	A	June 11, 1940
Rinehart, Gratia	B	August 19, 1940
Rose, Peter	B	June 13, 1938
Roosevelt, Julian K.	A	March 23, 1937
Roosevelt, P. J., Jr.	A	March 23, 1937
Roosevelt, Philippa	A	March 23, 1937
Sayre, Suzanne	A	June 30, 1939
Slocum, Henry T., Jr.	A	June 30, 1939
Smith, Peter	A	March 23, 1937
Taft, Henry W., 2d	A	June 15, 1937
Taft, Lucie	A	June 15, 1937
Taylor, Donald	B	July 26, 1940
Thompson, Henry B., 3d	A	June 26, 1939

<i>Name</i>	<i>Class</i>	<i>Date of Election</i>
Thompson, Mary	A	June 26, 1939
Tucker, Edwin T.	A	June 19, 1940
Violett, Ellen McC.	A	June 13, 1938
Walton, Jacques	A	July 29, 1940
White, Jacqueline	A	August 2, 1939
Williams, John M.	B	August 3, 1939

LIST OF YACHTS

Racing Number	Name of Yacht	Class	Owner
14	Athabasca	Seabird	Gates Davison
28	Auk	Seabird	Miles, John, Charles & Henry Morgan
19	Bill S.	Seabird	Peter Smith
26	Clang	Seabird	Michael Mooney
27	Chiloe	Seabird	Henry T. Slocum, Jr.
29	Comet II	Seabird	Frederica Auerbach
32	Coot	Seabird	Anne Mitchell
31	Dauntless	Seabird	Robert Lovett
5	Gabbiano	Seabird	Julian K. Roosevelt
3	Gull	Seabird	Philippa and Philip J. Roosevelt, Jr.
124	Hornet	Lawley 110	Henry & Lucie Taft
20	Jonandic	Seabird	Charles Pratt (charterer)
23	Kittiwake	Seabird	Judith Marsh (charterer)
34	Mouette	Seabird	Peter Howard
17	Noleaka	Seabird	E. R. Bigelow
4	Ouzel	Seabird	David & W. J. Anderson
25	Penguin	Seabird	Warren and Harvey K. Murdock
30	Plover	Seabird	Warren & Minerva Oelsner
33	Puddleduck	Seabird	Constance Day Ely
2	Sand Piper	Seabird	Fowler and Margaret Merle-Smith
18	Seagar	Seabird	Henry M. Duys, Jr.
7	Sonja	Seabird	Richardson Pratt, Jr.
10	Snapper	Seabird	Elizabeth & Edgar Appleby
8	Stormy Petrel	Seabird	Aileen L. Bowdoin
9	Swan	Seabird	Harriet & Frederick Jackson
6	Whistler	Seabird	Elsie & Theodore Janeway

TROPHIES AND AWARDS

Seabird Junior Championship

During the 1937, 1938, and 1939 seasons this championship included races on Tuesdays and Thursdays throughout the season. In 1936, it was sailed in handicap races including J-class boats, Chute and Bixbys, and Wee Scots, and the series was won by Robert Clarkson's J-boat *Comet*. Captain Gherardi Davis presented a trophy for the following seasons, and at the end of 1939, with Captain Davis' approval, this trophy was retired to Henry M. Duys, Jr.

During the 1940 season this Championship Series was sailed on Wednesday afternoons throughout July and August, and the award was won by the boat having the best total score for the ten races.

WINNERS

Year	Number	Name of Yacht	Owner
1936	8	Comet	Robert Clarkson
1937	18	Seagar	H. M. Duys, Jr.
1938	18	Seagar	H. M. Duys, Jr.
1939	18	Seagar	H. M. Duys, Jr.
1940	18	Seagar	H. M. Duys, Jr.

Seabird Open Championship

During the 1937, 1938, and 1939 seasons, this series was sailed on Saturday and Sunday afternoons throughout the season and was known as the "Weekend Series." For 1940, this series consisted of ten successive races on Saturday afternoons throughout the season, and the award was won by the boat with the best total score for those ten races.

WINNERS

Year	Number	Name of Yacht	Owner
1937	18	Seagar	Henry M. Duys, Jr.
1938	18	Seagar	Henry M. Duys, Jr.
1939	18	Seagar	Henry M. Duys, Jr.
1940	18	Seagar	Henry M. Duys, Jr.

Eleven

Turnabout Series

The races for this series are held on Monday afternoons throughout the season, and only those Juniors may skipper who do not skipper in the Junior Championship Series. The regular skippers, however, may serve as crew. This series was first started in 1939, and was then known as the Crew Series.

WINNERS

1939	Henry W. Taft, 2d
1940	Henry B. Thompson, 3d

July Series

During the 1937, 1938, and 1939 seasons, both the July and August Series included the Weekday Series Races on Tuesdays and Thursdays. This year, however, the prizes for the July and August Series were awarded to the boat with the best total score for both the Wednesday and the Saturday races during each month's series.

WINNERS

Year	Number	Name of Yacht	Owner
1937	18	Seagar	Henry M. Duys, Jr.
1938	6	Whistler	Theodore Janeway
1938	8	Stormy Petrel	Aileen L. Bowdoin
1940	18	Seagar	Henry M. Duys, Jr.

August Series

WINNERS

Year	Number	Name of Yacht	Owner
1937	4	Ouzel	Henry Anderson, Jr.
1938	18	Seagar	Henry M. Duys, Jr.
1939	18	Seagar	Henry M. Duys, Jr.
1940	18	Seagar	Henry M. Duys, Jr.

Twelve

CARYL PRIZE

In 1932, during the international 6-metre races at Seawanhaka, a Scotsman, Mr. W. F. Robertson, having become interested in Junior Yachting in America, donated a fund for a prize to be awarded annually to the boy or girl who showed the most outstanding effort, enthusiasm, and improvement in seamanship for the season. This prize, the oldest in the Club, known as the Caryl Prize, after Mr. Robertson's boat *Caryl*, has become one of the most coveted of the Club's awards.

WINNERS

1936	Henry M. Duys, Jr.
1937	Harriet Jackson
1938	John McVickar
1939	Frederick Ayer
1940	Alison Gray

DANIEL BACON MEMORIAL PRIZE

In September, 1937, Mrs. Daniel Bacon donated a prize for match racing in memory of her husband, who was Commodore of the Seawanhaka Corinthian Yacht Club in 1915, and whose love of yachting and great interest in Junior activities are largely responsible for the existence of this Junior Club.

During 1937 and 1938, a ladder tournament was held for this prize. Since, in 1938, there were not enough competitors to allow this prize to be fairly awarded, the 1939 season saw a change in the form of the races for it. It was sailed then, and again in 1940, as a match race tournament. In 1939, due to lack of time near the end of the season, each match consisted of only one race. This was recognized as a handicap, and in 1940 each match was the best out of three races.

WINNERS

Year	Boat	Owner
1937	Penguin	Warren Murdock, Jr.
1938		Not Awarded
1939	Penguin	Warren Murdock, Jr.

Thirteen

ANDERSON TROPHY

In 1937, Rear Commodore and Mrs. Henry H. Anderson gave a silver pitcher as a perpetual trophy to be awarded annually to that boy or girl who exhibited the highest excellence in seamanship throughout the year. This year, and for previous years when the trophy has been awarded, medals are to be given as a permanent prize to that person to whom the trophy is awarded.

WINNERS

1937	Henry H. Anderson, Jr.
1938	Henry M. Duys, Jr.
1939	Lucie Taft Henry Taft awarded jointly
1940	Lucie Taft

ELIHU ROOT PRIZE

The Elihu Root Prize, donated in 1938 by Mr. Elihu Root, Jr., is awarded annually to the member of the Junior Club who shows the greatest interest, proficiency, and conscientiousness in the care and upkeep of boats. It is given to that person who, without regular professional service, keeps his boat in the best condition throughout the season. The Boat and Yard Committee performs regular, unannounced inspections of all boats in the fleet not so serviced, and it is largely on the basis of the Boat and Yard Committee's reports that the winner is determined.

WINNERS

1938	Julian Fisker
1939	Not awarded
1940	Theodore Janeway

NIGHT RACE

WINNERS

Year	Boat	Owner
1937	Sonja	J. Read Taylor
1938	Ouzel	Henry H. Anderson, Jr.
1939	Penguin	Warren Murdock, Jr.
1940	Swan	Harriet Jackson

Fourteen

OBSTACLE RACE

Year	Boat	Crew
1938	Penguin	Hutchinson DuBosque Innis O'Rourke
1939	Penguin	Warren Murdock, Jr. Lucie Taft
1940	Stormy Petrel	Harvey K. Murdock Henry Taft Jacques Walton David Anderson

LARCHMONT JUNIOR DAY RACE

Year	Boat	Owner
1937	Seagar	Henry M. Duys, Jr.
1938	Sonja	J. Read Taylor
1939	Gabbiano	Julian K. Roosevelt
1940	Seagar	Henry M. Duys, Jr.

MEMORIAL DAY SERIES

1938	Penguin	Warren Murdock
1939	Penguin	Warren Murdock
1940	Chiloe	H. T. Slocum

JULY 4th SERIES

1938	Seagar	Henry M. Duys, Jr.
1939	Seagar	Henry M. Duys, Jr.
1940	Chiloe	H. T. Slocum

LABOR DAY SERIES

1937	Penguin	Warren Murdock
1938	Pintail	Frank Snyder
1939	Goony	George Nichols, Jr.
1940	Penguin	Warren Murdock

SPRING REGATTA

1937	Little Tern	Margere Gerdes
1938	Whistler	Theodore Janeway
1939	Seagar	Henry M. Duys, Jr.
1940	Plover	E. C. Oelsner

FALL REGATTA

1937	Penguin	Warren Murdock
1938	Sand Piper	Nancy Merle-Smith
1939	Penguin	Warren Murdock
1940	Penguin	Warren Murdock

Fifteen

JUNIOR AND MIDGET CREWS

These crews are chosen after a series of observation races each year, and the chosen crews represent the Seawanhaka Corinthian Junior Yacht Club in the Long Island Sound Championships, as well as in other Sound series. The crew winning the Long Island Sound Junior Championship is then eligible to race for the Sears Bowl in the National Championship Series.

Junior Crews

	1936
James D. Hurd, 3d J. Alfred Roosevelt Robert B. Meyer, Jr.	
	1937
James D. Hurd, 3d J. Read Taylor J. Alfred Roosevelt	
	1938
Henry H. Anderson, Jr. James D. Hurd, 3d J. Read Taylor	
	1939
Warren Murdock, Jr. Joan Tucker Frank V. Snyder	
	1940
Warren Murdock, Jr. Lucie Taft John McVickar	

Sixteen

Midget Crews

Walter Amory Henry M. Duys, Jr. Frank V. Snyder
Henry M. Duys, Jr. Fowler Merle-Smith Warren Murdock, Jr.
Henry M. Duys, Jr. John McVickar Harriet Jackson
Henry M. Duys, Jr. Henry W. Taft, 2d Harriet Jackson
Harvey K. Murdock Henry W. Taft, 2d David Anderson

TEAM RACES

PHILIP J. ROOSEVELT TROPHY

In 1937, Commodore Philip J. Roosevelt offered a trophy for an annual series of team races between the Pleon Yacht Club of Marblehead, Massachusetts, and the Seawanhaka Corinthian Junior Yacht Club of Long Island. These races have been sailed alternately at Marblehead and Oyster Bay, commencing in 1938 at Oyster Bay. The conditions require three crews no member of which shall have reached his or her eighteenth birthday on or before the first of September of the current year. In the past, each series consisted of a complete round robin, using the change-of-boat system, and the winner of the match has been that team having the best aggregate total score. After the 1940 series, however, it was decided to make some changes in the manner of conducting and scoring the races. In place of the round-robin change-of-boat system, the teams are to change boats. And instead of the continuous point-scoring, each race is to be scored separately, and the team winning three out of five races is to be the winner of the series. It is felt that these changes will lessen the odds against the visiting team.

Year	Locus	Class	SCJYC	PYC
1938	Oyster Bay	Seabirds	58½	46¼
1939	Marblehead	"T" Class	57	77¼
1940	Oyster Bay	Seabirds	78	56¼

COLD SPRING HARBOR — SEAWANHAKA JUNIOR TEAM RACE SERIES

For many years before 1937, there were team races sailed between the Cold Spring Harbor Beach Club and the Seawanhaka Corinthian Junior Yacht Club. In fact, these informal annual series are the oldest institution of the

Seventeen

Junior group at Seawanhaka. To perpetuate these series, Sheila Curtin offered in 1937 a trophy to be raced for annually, and to be won by the club with the best total score for home-and-home races.

Year	Locus	Class	CSHBC	SCJYC
1936	CSHBC	Dinghy	7¼	3
	CSHBC	Atlantic	25¼	12
	SCJYC	"J"	25¼	20¼
	Totals 1936		57¾	35¼
1937	CSHBC	Atlantic	48½	14
	CSHBC	Dinghy	29½	28
	SCJYC	Seabird	34¼	21¼
	Totals 1937		112¼	63¼
1938	SCJYC	Seabird	19¼	23¼
	CSHBC	Atlantic	21¼	21
	CSHBC	Dinghy	27¼	14
	Totals 1938		68	58¼
1939	No Races			
1940	SCJYC	Seabird	19¼	23¼
	CSHBC	Atlantic	9	12¼
	CSHBC	Dinghy	11¼	9
	Totals 1940		39½	44½

PEQUOT-SEAWANHAKA TEAM RACE SERIES

For many years Seawanhaka has been privileged to race with the Pequot Junior Yacht Club of Southport, Connecticut. Generally, there have been races at both Clubs during each summer, but these have not been formally recorded. In 1939 the Seawanhaka team was allowed to cruise to Pequot aboard Mr. Bowdoin's *Astrea* to race the Cape Cod Dories, and Pequot reciprocated by trans-

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porting their team to Oyster Bay aboard the famous *Bug-eye, Brown, Smith and Jones*.

Year	Locus	Class	Pequot	SCJYC
1939	Southport	Cape Cod Dory	18¼	18
	Oyster Bay	Seabird	No finish	
1940	Oyster Bay	Seabird	22	50½
	Southport	Cape Cod Dory	64¼	45
Totals 1940			86¼	95½

SHINNECOCK-SEAWANHAKA TEAM

RACE SERIES

In 1939 the first team races between the Shinnecock Yacht Club of Quogue, Long Island, and the Seawanhaka Corinthian Junior Yacht Club were held. The crews for these informal team races are not limited as to age, for Shinnecock is not a Junior Yacht Club. It is hoped that this series will become an annual event.

Year	Locus	Class	Shinnecock	SCJYC
1939	Seawanhaka	Seabird	17¼	25¼
	Shinnecock	'SS'	25½	17
Totals 1939			42¾	42¼
1940	Shinnecock	'SS'	10¼	10¼
	Seawanhaka	Seabird	13¼	13¼
Totals 1940			23½	23½

Nineteen

B Y - L A W S
OF THE
Seawanhaka Corinthian Junior Yacht Club
(As of July 8, 1940)

ARTICLE I—OFFICERS

1. OFFICERS

The Officers of the Club shall consist of a Commodore, Vice Commodore, Rear Commodore, Secretary, and Treasurer.

The Flag Officers shall be the Commodore, Vice Commodore, and Rear Commodore.

The Fleet Captain shall be appointed by the Commodore, prior to the formal opening of the Club in each year and shall be the Executive Officer of the Commodore. He shall hold office until his successor be appointed. The Commodore shall have the power to fill any vacancy in the office of Fleet Captain.

2. DUTIES OF OFFICERS

The Commodore shall command the squadron, shall preside at all meetings, and shall enforce the laws and regulations of the Club. He may call a special meeting of the Club at his pleasure and shall do so at the request of five members.

The Vice Commodore shall assist the Commodore in the discharge of his duties and shall officiate in his absence.

The Rear Commodore shall assist the Commodore and Vice Commodore in the discharge of their duties and shall officiate in their absence.

In case of the absence of all the Flag Officers, the

Twenty

senior member in point of age present shall be the acting Commodore.

The Secretary shall:

- a. Keep a record of the proceedings of all Club meetings and have custody of all records and documents belonging to the Club.
- b. Keep a correct roll of all members, together with their addresses and the dates of their election to the Club and notify each member of all meetings and regattas.
- c. Keep a correct list of the yachts enrolled in the Club.
- d. Conduct the correspondence of the Club.
- e. If authorized by the Executive Committee, cause to be compiled in each year a Club Book containing a list of officers, committees, members, and yachts; also the By-laws and such other information as the Executive Committee or the Trustees shall direct.

The Treasurer shall supervise the handling of the funds of the Club. He shall make a detailed report at the Annual Meeting showing the receipts and expenditures during the year previous and the financial condition of the Club as of the latest date reasonably practicable.

3. INSTRUCTORS

There shall be one or more Instructors appointed by the Trustees of the Seawanhaka Corinthian Yacht Club who shall assist the officers in the management of the Club. The Senior Instructor shall be Secretary of the Race Committee. Instructors shall be entitled to sit on all committees except the Board of Trustees and the Executive Committee when the latter is considering candidates for membership, but they shall not be entitled to vote on any such committee.

ARTICLE II—TRUSTEES

There shall be a Board of Trustees to consist of 14

Twenty-one

members appointed or elected as hereinafter provided from the membership of the Junior Yacht Club and of the Seawanhaka Corinthian Yacht Club. The Flag Officers, Secretary, and Treasurer of the Junior Yacht Club, and the Flag Officers, Treasurer, Chairman of the Committee on Junior Activities and Chairman of the House Committee of the Seawanhaka Corinthian Yacht Club, shall be ex officio members of the Board of Trustees. The three other members shall be elected by the remainder of the Board at their first meeting after the formal opening of the Club for each summer season. They shall serve until their successors are elected and at least two of them shall be members of the Junior Yacht Club.

The Trustees, except in respect of election to membership, shall have entire authority in the management of the affairs and of the finances of the Club and shall have general control of all of its property.

The Trustees shall have power to appoint such special committees as they may from time to time deem necessary, and shall prescribe their duties.

The Trustees shall appoint a Nominating Committee which shall post their nominees at least ten days prior to the Annual Meeting.

They shall have the power to fill vacancies in any office or committee.

They shall make appropriations for the use of the standing committees.

They shall hold meetings at least once every month during June, July, August and September, and special meetings upon their own initiative or at the request of the Commodore of the Junior Yacht Club or the Commodore of the Seawanhaka Corinthian Yacht Club. Unless waived, at least ten days notice shall be required for any meeting.

ARTICLE III—COMMITTEES

1. STANDING COMMITTEES

There shall be the following Standing Committees:

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Executive Committee consisting of the five officers of the Club and two other members.

House Committee consisting of the Vice Commodore who shall be Chairman and four other members.

Race Committee consisting of the Rear Commodore who shall be Chairman and four other members.

All officers and members of Committees shall be elected at the Annual Meeting and shall hold office until the next Annual Meeting.

2. DUTIES OF STANDING COMMITTEES

Subject to the supervision of the Board of Trustees the Executive Committee shall have general authority to conduct the business of the Club and shall exercise direct supervision of all other Standing and Special Committees.

The Executive Committee, with such other members of the Junior or Senior Clubs as they may appoint for such purpose, shall have the power to inquire into the character and standing of candidates and to elect to membership in the Club such as they consider desirable. Two negative votes shall be sufficient to exclude a candidate.

The Executive Committee shall hold meetings every other week during the summer season when the Club is open. Special meetings shall be called by the Commodore at the request of any two members of the Club, or at the request of the Chairman of the Committee on Junior Activities of the Senior Club. Three members shall constitute a quorum.

The House Committee under the general supervision of the Executive Committee shall have charge of the Club House, equipment and other facilities for which the Club is responsible and shall make rules and regulations regarding the use of the same. They shall have charge of all entertainment and social functions of the Club.

The Race Committee under the supervision of the Executive Committee shall arrange all regattas, make regulations governing the same in accordance with the racing

Twenty-three

rules of the Junior Yacht Racing Association of Long Island Sound and shall award all prizes. This Committee shall decide all protests and shall make such regulations in regard to the filing and hearing of protests as it may deem advisable. Appeals may be taken from the decision of the Race Committee to the Race Committee of the Seawanhaka Corinthian Yacht Club.

They shall keep complete records of all races.

They shall select skippers and crews to represent the Club in outside competition.

No member of the Committee shall take part in any decision if it affects the standing of the yacht in which he has an interest.

The Commodore or Acting Commodore shall be ex officio an additional member of all Standing and Special Committees.

ARTICLE IV—SENIOR ADVISORY BOARD

There shall be a Senior Advisory Board to consist of former members of the Junior Club (male or female). Members of this Board shall be not less than eighteen nor more than twenty-one years of age at the time of the formal opening of the Junior Club, and may be children of either members or non-members of the Senior Club. They shall be appointed to this Board, for one year only, by the Board of Trustees of the Senior Club, and their eligibility for such appointment shall be determined by their interest in the activities of the Junior Club and their influence for good on the younger members thereof during the time when they themselves were members. While serving on this Board the members shall:

- a. Assist the instructors and officers of the Junior Club in its management and in maintaining proper discipline.
- b. Take an active interest in the Club and all its activities.

Should any member of this Board fail to live up to or observe these conditions, or if for any other reason the in-

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structors or members of the Committee on Junior Activities of the Senior Club shall deem it undesirable for any member appointed to this Board to continue to serve thereon, his or her resignation as a member thereof may be requested, after a hearing, by the Board of Trustees of the Senior Club, or in extreme cases the said Board of Trustees may summarily terminate any or all appointments to this Board previously made by it, at any time, and in its sole discretion.

Members of this Board shall not hold office in the Junior Club nor vote in any meeting.

Resignation from this Board shall be in writing and delivered to the Secretary of the Senior Club. No resignation shall be accepted while the member is indebted to the Club.

Members of this Board who are children of members of the Senior Club shall pay annual dues corresponding to the dues of Class 'A' members of the Junior Club, and members who are children of non-members of the Senior Club shall pay annual dues corresponding to the dues of Class 'B' members of the Junior Club. No initiation fee shall be required to be paid by any member of this Board.

Members of this Board shall have the following privileges:

- a. They shall be entitled to enjoy the full use of the Junior Club House, dock, and other facilities of the Junior Club.
- b. They shall be entitled to receive all types of instruction from the instructors at the Junior Club.

Former members of the Junior Club who become eighteen years of age prior to the formal opening of the Junior Club in any year and who are not appointed members of this Board shall not be entitled to the privileges of the Junior Club or Clubhouse. They shall not be entitled to participate in any of the sailing races or games conducted by the Junior Club, and shall not be entitled to receive instruction from the instructors of the Junior Club. This does not debar those properly qualified from

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the use of the swimming facilities of the Senior Club as are not restricted to members of the Junior Club.

ARTICLE V—MEMBERSHIP

1. MEMBERSHIP

Membership in the Club shall be divided into the following classes:

- a. Members Class 'A'
- b. Members Class 'B'
- c. Associate Members

Membership Class 'A' shall be over 11 and under 18 years of age. They shall be children of members of the Seawanhaka Corinthian Yacht Club and shall become members upon application to the Secretary in accordance with the provisions of Section 2 of this Article.

Membership Class 'B' shall be over 11 and under 18 years of age. They shall be children of non-members of the Seawanhaka Corinthian Yacht Club and may become members on being elected by the Executive Committee for a term of one year, in accordance with the provisions of Section 2 of this Article.

Associate Members. While all children of members of the Seawanhaka Corinthian Yacht Club are entitled to use the facilities of the Junior Club for swimming and playing on the beach, only those children under 11 years of age may become Associate members who qualify by demonstrating an ability to participate in the Club's instruction and activities. They must be able to swim 50 yards, read, understand and obey notices posted on the bulletin board, and behave themselves in a manner congenial to the Club's other members. They may become members upon application to the Secretary in accordance with the provisions of Section 2 of this Article. They shall be entitled to all the privileges of members in the Club excepting that they shall not hold office nor vote in any meeting.

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2. ELECTION OF MEMBERS

Class 'A'—Upon receipt of the candidate's application blank properly filled out and endorsed by one parent, the Secretary shall send the candidate a notification of election, upon which initiation fee and dues become payable.

Associates—Upon receipt of the candidate's application blank properly filled out and endorsed by one parent, the Secretary shall extend to the candidate the privileges of the Club for seven visits. If the application is approved thereafter either by the Junior instructors or any two officers or committee chairmen of the Junior Club who have been present at the Club during a majority of these visits, the Secretary shall send the candidate a notification of election, upon which initiation fee and dues become payable. The Club cannot be responsible for the safety or activities of children under 11 who are not members, beyond the first seven probationary visits.

Class 'B'—Candidates must be proposed and seconded in writing, and in addition shall have satisfactory letters of endorsement, any such letters to be written by members of the Club or of the Seawanhaka Corinthian Yacht Club, and must be personally known to the proposer and seconder. Candidates shall file an application blank properly filled out and endorsed by one parent. The proposal shall be posted if practical by the Secretary forthwith. Members are requested to furnish the Executive Committee through the Secretary with any information concerning candidates for Class 'B' membership so posted. The Executive Committee shall not act on it for a week nor until they have given any member who so desires an opportunity to be deemed by the Executive Committee to be qualified for heard on the subject of the proposed election. Any persons deemed by the Executive Committee to be qualified for membership shall be notified of his election by the Secretary, upon which dues become payable.

3. ANNUAL DUES AND INDEBTEDNESS

The initiation fee for Class 'A' and Associate members

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shall be \$10. The annual dues for Class 'A' and Associate members shall be \$15. The annual dues for Class 'B' members shall be \$40. The annual dues shall be payable before the first day of July of each year or, in the case of members elected after the first day of July, the annual dues shall be payable within thirty days after election. No member's indebtedness to the Club shall exceed a sum provided from time to time by the Trustees, and whenever a member's indebtedness shall reach that sum he shall be denied further credit until the entire amount due shall have been paid. If a member-elect fails to pay within thirty days of his election his initiation fee, his election shall be void unless excused by the Trustees. Members shall discharge their current indebtedness to the Club by the fifteenth day of the month following that in which the indebtedness has been incurred. If a member fails to pay his indebtedness within thirty days after such indebtedness has been incurred, he shall be summoned before the Trustees and may in the discretion of the Trustees have his membership in the Club suspended until such indebtedness is paid in full.

4. DISCIPLINE

In case of any occurrence injurious to the welfare of the Club, the Executive Committee shall investigate the matter on their own initiative, or on the complaint of any member. After a fair hearing, they may reprimand the member or members involved, or suspend them for not more than two weeks. In case of serious misconduct, the Trustees may, after a hearing, expel the offending member by a two-thirds vote of the members of the Board present at the meeting.

5. RESIGNATION

Resignation must be in writing and delivered to the Secretary. No resignation shall be accepted while the member is indebted to the Club.

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ARTICLE VI—MISCELLANEOUS

1. VISITORS AND GUESTS

The Executive Committee may extend the privileges of the Club to non-residents of Long Island, for periods of not longer than one week.

Members may introduce guests who live more than thirty miles from Oyster Bay and may secure for them the privileges of the Club for periods of not more than one week. Visiting house guests if accompanied by members may be introduced to the Clubhouse provided their names are entered upon the Visitors' Book. Members introducing guests or visitors shall assume full responsibility for their conduct and for any financial liability incurred.

2. INTERPRETATION

In all questions regarding interpretation of these By-Laws the decisions of the Trustees shall be final.

3. AMENDMENT

These By-Laws may be amended at any meeting by two-thirds vote of the members present, provided that the proposed amendment be approved by the Trustees and by the Board of Trustees of the Seawanhaka Corinthian Yacht Club and posted on the bulletin board at least a week before the meeting.

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RATINGS

During the 1939 season, a system of ratings was instituted at the Junior Club, by which each member was classed as a Novice, Ordinary Seaman, Able Seaman, or Skipper. These ratings are obtained by passing off certain requirements indicating the member's ability to handle himself or herself on the water. The achievement of ratings is left to the individual member's initiative, and the only event that is in any way dependent on ratings is the Junior Cruise, for which an Able Seaman's rating is required.

In April, 1940, the Junior Yacht Racing Association of Long Island Sound sponsored this system with some changes for the better. Their recommendations to all Junior sailing organizations have been adopted by this Club, and are as follows:

- I. That junior members be assigned to one of three ratings after a demonstration of their knowledge of certain specific skills and information.
- II. That these ratings be known as Ordinary Seaman, Able Seaman, and Mate.
- III. That the requirements for an Ordinary Seaman be:
 - A. In general: to handle himself properly aboard a boat, with due regard for his own safety and that of others. To know the names of parts of the hull, rigging and equipment and something about the use and care of the same. To be familiar enough with nautical terminology and the elements of seamanship to make him a useful member of any crew.
 - B. Specifically:
 1. Cordage
 - a. Be able to tie, untie and use the following knots: Bowline, sheet bend, square knot, clove

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hitch, rolling hitch, fisherman's bend, figure of eight knot, two half hitches.

b. Heave a line.

c. Belay a line.

d. Whip a ropes' end.

e. Coil down a rope.

2. Nautical Terminology

a. Elementary parts of hull, rigging, and equipment—Topsides, chock, etc.

b. Directions—windward, leeward, broad on starboard beam, etc.

c. Steering orders—luff, bear off, etc.

d. Other orders—trim main, ease jib, etc.

e. Repeat all orders.

3. Rowing a Dinghy

a. Proper method of handling oars, feathering, etc.

b. How to make fast and cast off.

c. How to leave a dock or boat and make a landing.

d. Safety—do not overload; carry a light after dark.

e. Hauling, dumping and launching a dinghy.

4. Elements of bending, setting, reefing, furling and care of sails.

5. Know proper ways to:

a. Cast off and pick up mooring under skipper's directions.

b. Handle anchor.

c. Catch and make fast tow line, also let go same.

6. Know the elements of taking care of a boat and its equipment:

The bilge, stowage, running rigging, mooring, topsides, deck, etc.

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7. Also know how to take care of personal equipment such as knives, watches, clothes, etc.
8. Know and observe all local rules governing the conduct of junior members.

IV. That the requirements for Able Seaman be:

- A. In general: to be able to handle a boat properly under all conditions with the emphasis on safety and care rather than speed and strategy. To know the elements of coastwise navigation, the rules of the road at sea and the principal racing rules, to be able to assume complete charge of a boat at any time and for any length of time.
- B. Specifically:
 1. Cordage
Eye splice, short splice, wall and crown knot, bowline on a bight, seizing and the use of palm and needle.
 2. Be familiar with all modern types of boats and sail plans.
 3. Spinnaker,—stop, set, trim, jibe, take in.
 4. Navigation
Rules of the road at sea.
Navigation lights and sound signals.
Box and steer by compass.
Use of chart and parallel rulers,—Variation.
Bearings and the use of the pelorus.
Buoys, lights and other aids to navigation.
 5. Sailing and helmsmanship
Trim of sails on all points of sailing.
Theory and methods of getting under way from anchor, moorings, and landings.
Also picking up mooring, landing at a dock or float or alongside of another boat and anchoring.
Know Racing Rules 29-32 and definitions.

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6. Emergency Routine for:
Man overboard,
Capsizing,
Broken gear,
Squalls,
Grounding.

V. That the Requirements for Mate be:

- A. In general: To be reasonably familiar with all of the Racing Rules, and tactics, and to be able to apply these rules and tactics as occasion may require. To know some of the finer points of navigation and seamanship and to be familiar with the ethics and etiquette involved in yacht racing. To be able to tune up a boat and keep it in first class racing condition.
- B. Specifically:
 1. Rules
Be familiar with the rules of the Yacht Racing Association of Long Island Sound and the North American Yacht Racing Union.
Know thoroughly the Racing Rules.
Purpose of the Rules.
Spirit of the Rules.
 2. Tactics
General tactics, covering, backwinding, blanketing, etc.
The Start—kinds of starts (windward, leeward, etc.) use of stop watch, etc.
Windward work—selection of tacks, use of tides, etc.
Reaching—luffing, lee-bow position, quarter wave, etc.
Running—tacking down wind, etc.
Rounding marks.
Finish—on wind, before the wind, etc.
Team Race Tactics.

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3. Navigation.

Use and care of instruments.
Course plotting, windward work.
Dead reckoning, keeping the log.
Leeway and tidal set.
Bearings, bow and beam, doubling the angle on the bow.
Danger angles, horizontal and vertical.
Chain of soundings.

4. Tuning up a yacht.

Hull—bottom, topsides, tiller.
Standing Rigging — experiment and record changes.
Running Rigging—blocks and fittings properly oiled, sheets and halyards in serviceable condition.
Sails—breaking in, prevention and cure of hard spots, proper bending.

5. First Aid.

Resuscitation in case of drowning and suffocation.
Open wounds.
Burns (including sunburn).
Fainting.

6. Etiquette.

Boarding and leaving.
Hail and answer.
Use of code flags and other signals.
Proper use of all flags, Ensign, Jack, private signal, etc., at anchor, racing, cruising.

7. Weather.

Use of barometer, weather map.

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Know simple rules for predicting changes in wind and weather conditions.

Be familiar with local wind conditions.

VI. That the purpose of the foregoing be to develop a large number of competent sailors, and to that end that the emphasis be placed primarily upon seamanship and not upon winning races.

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SCHEDULE - 1940

- June 23—Opening of Club.
First Open Championship Race
(July Series begins)
- 24—First Turnabout Series Race.
- 26—First Junior Championship Race.
- 27—Informal team racing.
- 29—2nd Open Championship Race.
- July 1—2nd Turnabout Race.
- 2—First Day Junior and Midget Observation
Series races for choosing Midget and
Junior Crews. These will continue through
the week.
- 3—2nd Junior Championship Race.
Club Meeting 1:15 P. M.
- 4—First of July 4th Series Races.
- 6—3rd Open Championship Race
(2nd July 4th Series Race).
- 7—3rd July 4th Series Race.
- 8—3rd Turnabout Race.
- 10—Club Meeting at 1:15 P. M.
3rd Junior Championship Race.
- 11—Team Races with Cold Spring Harbor
Beach Club.
- 13—4th Open Championship Race.
- 15—4th Turnabout Race.
- 17—Larchmont Junior Day.
- 18—4th Junior Championship Race.
- 20—5th Open Championship Race.
- 22—5th Turnabout Race.
- 23, 24, 25—Pleasant-Seawanhaka Team Races at
Seawanhaka.

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- July 26—5th Junior Championship Race.
- 27—6th Open Championship Race.
(August Series begins).
- 29—6th Turnabout Race.
Night race.
- 30—Gregory Taylor Challenge Series (for
girls).
- 31—6th Junior Championship Race.
Club Meeting 1:15 P. M.
- August 1—Team Races at Cold Spring Harbor.
- 2—Obstacle Race.
- 3—7th Open Championship Race.
- 5—7th Turnabout Race.
Commodore Law Series begins for Junior
Crew.
- 7—Club Meeting 1:15 P. M.
7th Junior Championship Race.
- 8—Manhasset Bay Team Races at Seawanhaka
- 10—8th Open Championship Race.
- 12—8th Turnabout Series Race.
Junior Championship of Long Island
Sound at Knickerbocker Yacht Club for
Junior Crew begins.
- 14—8th Junior Championship Race.
- 15—Night Race.
- 16—Shinnecock Team Races at Quogue.
- 17—9th Open Championship Race.
- 19—9th Crew Championship Race.
Midget Championship of Long Island
Sound at Knickerbocker Yacht Club for
Midget Crew begins.
- 21—9th Junior Championship Race.
- 22—Long Race.
- 23—Shinnecock Team Races at Seawanhaka.
- 24—10th Open Championship Race.

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- August 26—10th Turnabout Race.
- 27—Team races with Port Washington Yacht Club at Seawanhaka.
- 28—10th Junior Championship Race (August Series ends).
- 29—Pequot Team Races at Seawanhaka.
- 30—Pequot Team Races at Southport, Conn.
- 31—Fall Regatta (First race Labor Day series).
- September 1—2nd Race Labor Day Series.
- 2—3rd Race Labor Day Series.
- 3, 4, 5, 6—Junior Cruise.
- 7—Closing dinner and annual meeting.

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SEABIRD CLASS RULES

as adopted by

THE RACE COMMITTEE

of the

SEAWANHAKA CORINTHIAN JUNIOR YACHT CLUB

on August 19, 1940

The purpose of these rules is to promote the sport of racing these yachts as a one-design class by restricting them to a uniformity in sails and equipment.

These rules shall govern all yachts of this class in races sponsored or conducted by the Seawanhaka Corinthian Junior Yacht Club. A violation of any of these rules in any such races shall disqualify the offending yacht in that race.

The class shall consist of yachts as designed by Sparkman and Stephens Inc., and built by Penn Yan Boats, Inc., and covered by their plans and specifications Number 176.

No structural changes shall be made in the spars, standing rigging, or exterior of the hulls of these yachts. The alterations of the shape or section of the rudder from the original design is a structural change. The removal of the stern seat is a structural change, but this may be done provided that an adequate brace in approximately the same place shall be substituted. However, an owner may make such other interior changes in the hull, running rigging, or deck fittings as he may desire, after receiving the permission of the Junior Club Race Committee.

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SPARS

Spars shall conform to the spar plan as originally designed. Masts shall not be altered in their rake or position beyond the limits allowed in the mast partners and in the step.

SPINNAKER POLE

One spinnaker pole only of the length of 6'6" may be used at any one time, but all yachts may carry an extra spinnaker pole of the same dimensions as a spare.

SAILS

Hereafter all sails must be made according to the measurements and specifications below. All similar sails shall be of the same pattern and weight of canvas, but spinnakers of different colors may be used. A suit of sails within these rules shall consist of one mainail, one jib, and one spinnaker, except as hereinafter provided. Only one suit of sails, whether new or old, may be added to a yacht's racing equipment during any one racing season. A sail used in any race shall become a part of the yacht's racing inventory. First use of a sail prior to September 1st of any year puts such sail in the current year's inventory. A sail first used after September 1st shall be considered as an addition to the following year's inventory and shall preclude the purchase and use of an additional corresponding sail in the following year. In case of accident, however, the Race Committee may modify these rules. The mainsail must carry the Seabird insignia and a racing number.

SAIL SPECIFICATIONS

Mainsail: The mainsail shall be made of not lighter than 5-ounce canvas and with the sail flat shall measure not more than 23'3" along the luff, 9'11" along the foot. The overall measurement of the sail taken through two points, one halfway from head to clew, the other halfway from head to tack, shall not exceed 6'.

Jib: The jib shall be made of not lighter than 5-ounce canvas, and shall measure not more than 17'9" along the luff, 14'10" along the leach, and 7'6" along the foot.

Spinnaker: The spinnaker shall be made of not lighter

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than 2-ounce canvas, and shall measure not more than 19'3" along either luff, and 11'9" along the foot. The length of the center vertical seam shall not be more than 19'8" when hung.

MINIMUM INVENTORY

Yachts participating in any class event sponsored or conducted by the Seawanhaka Corinthian Junior Yacht Club must carry the following inventory:

- One Heresloff-type, 25-pound anchor
- 16 Fathoms of anchor rope 1 3/4" in circumference
- 1 Foghorn (siren or whistle allowed but not recommended)
- 3 Life preservers, life rings, or kapok cushions
- 1 Bilge pump

It is recommended but not required that all boats carry white line or other small stuff for reefing or minor repairs.

CREW

The crew shall consist of any number of persons, none of whom shall have reached their eighteenth birthday for races sponsored or conducted by the Seawanhaka Corinthian Junior Yacht Club, except where otherwise specified.

HAULING OUT

Yachts may not be professionally hauled out more than three times during a season. Any number of amateur haulings are allowed, however.

RACE COMMITTEE,

Seawanhaka Corinthian Junior Yacht Club.

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CLUB HISTORY

A history of the Club could not be complete without going back to the earlier days of the "Kitten Class". About 1922 or 1923, the first organized effort was made by the Senior Club in behalf of the Juniors. Then there suddenly came upon the members a realization that there were numerous youngsters with sailing inclinations, and few suitable boats available. Sherman Hoyt, always interested in developing young sailors and/or "bilge-boys," encountered a builder on the Cape named Montgomery, who had created a twelve-foot waterline, scow cat-boat of considerable stability and satisfactory speed. Forthwith old and young heads met over blueprints, and the following spring the "Kitten" Class was born.

Among the early participants therein were Francesca and Billy Carey, Lucy and Walter Gurnee, Bill Loeb, Pat and Mellen Outerbridge, Henry and Bobby Rusch, Whitney and Henry Satterlee, Bert Smith, the Weekes—Arthur, Dorothy, Jimmie, Townie, Sarita, Billy, Shelton, Jack and Cecily Work, and Guy and Denise de Zerman. There was a general eye kept on the youngsters by the Club launchmen and Captain Faust but no organized direction or supervision. Many of the boys and girls sailed to the Club from their home anchorages; there was no daily gathering place, but impromptu picnics and swimming parties were frequent. Each year team races were held with the Cedarhurst Yacht Club, and it was in this early period that participation in the Junior Sound Championship Series began.

From this group came the spirit in which the Junior Club had its begining. Out of it developed skippers and bilge-boys that earned their salt as Corinthians on the Clyde, the Solent, in Trans-Atlantic races, up and down our East Coast, and in local waters.

With that background, Junior activity couldn't lapse. After the Kittens, a class of sixteen-foot centerboard sloops

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designed by John Alden, endorsed by the Junior Yacht Racing Association of Long Island Sound, and designed as the "JA" Class, had a brief life. The fifteen-foot "J" Class, designed by Olin Stephens, succeeded them, and was followed by another effort on the part of the old timers to establish the young in the less seaworthy skimming-dishes which had marked their own youth. The class designed by Chute and Bixby came and went—without regrets.

Their successor was the present class, the Seabirds, another Olin Stephens production built by the Penn Yann Boat Works under a new method, consisting of moulded plywood, double-planked in opposite directions, making for greater strength: a wholly satisfactory and very able little boat, of which more will be said later. For the first time parachute spinnakers were made a part of Junior equipment, a notable advance in Junior training.

In 1932, the idea was conceived of giving the Juniors experience in cruising. The Tuesday following Larchmont Race Week, the twelve-meter sloops, *Clytie* and *Iris*, manned respectively by boys from Seawanhaka and the Cold Spring Harbor Beach Club, inaugurated the first "Junior Cruise," under the supervision of their professional crews, and a Senior member.

On the *Clytie*, under Rear Commodore Henry Plant, was a group including Royal Victor, Shelton Weeks, Phil LeBoutillier, Jr., the two Nickersons, and Emlen Roosevelt. The *Iris* carried a Cold Spring contingent, among whom were Walter Page, Freddie Jennings, Morris Earle, Derrick Keppel, Jimmy Rousmaniere, and "Whistle" Hornblower.

Each year since, the Cruise has been the featured event of the season. Enough cannot be said in tribute to those yacht owners whose interest in the development of Corinthianism led them, year after year, to make their yachts available for the Junior Cruise. Commodores Crane, Stewart, Morgan, Merle-Smith, the Roosevelts, the late Vice Commodore Plant, Vice Commodore Anderson, Rear Commodore Coudert, Captains Bohmfalk, Bowdoin, deForest, Fraser, Gubelman, Hall, Havemeyer, Hoyt,

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Janeway, Knauth, LeBiutillier, Loimis, Mitchell, Nichols, Olds, O'Rourke, Ottley, Page, Riot, Rousmaniere, Rumbough, Short, Taylor, Thorling, White and others have willingly met every call. The names of their craft should be recorded although they will remain indelibly fixed in the minds of those who, as Juniors, had the privilege of serving in their crews. Starting with the *Iris* and *Clytie*, the roster includes *Ali Baba*, *Alsumar*, *Apache*, *Arabella*, *Astrea*, *Baruna*, *Brown Smith Jones*, *Clotho*, *Dolphin*, *Falcon*, *Folly*, *Gay Head*, *Gleam*, *Lone Gull II*, *Mistress*, *Mitena*, *Nadji*, *Nautilus*, *Northern Light*, *Notus II*, *Persephone*, *Pyramus*, *Rampage II*, *Ro*, *Sea Love*, *Seven Seas* (the Ship), *Seven Seas* (12-metre), *Sheila*, *Stella Polaris*, *Stormy Weather*, *Tide*, *Tigress*, *Tortoise*, *Venturer* and others.

Long remembered will be the beat from Duck Island Roads to Price's Bend in a fresh sou'wester; the search for Long Point Buoy in a dense fog, and the dismasting of *Mitena* in a close race. In recent years, the last night of the Cruise has been marked by a party, usually on board the largest yacht in the fleet. *Stella Polaris* has done yeoman duty, as have both *Seven Seas*. With Commodore Merle-Smith at the sea-piano, and Junior amateur starlets rendering songs, skits, and other spontaneous entertainment, the parties have been memorable.

During the past ten years, Junior activities have expanded rapidly under a succession of capable instructors. The first was Captain Jim Barr, a professional sailing master. He was succeeded by Bill Hammersley, Gerry Gesell, "Pluggety" Foster, and, after him, John Longley, who was an early and ardent advocate of the Junior Club. Bob Amory, no less popular than his predecessors, handled a larger number of Juniors, and his efficiency and organizing ability were of great value in the early days of the club.

Commencing about 1934, pressure for a Junior Club really began to make itself felt. Tentative plans were drawn up and abandoned. In 1936, Mr. William Delano was commissioned to design a pavilion providing facilities for swimming and a Clubhouse for Juniors. On July 4th of

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that year, the building was dedicated. The details of furnishing, equipment, and both exterior and interior decorating, as well as the preparation of the baseball field the following year, are the results of the generosity and thoughtfulness of Mrs. Van S. Merle-Smith. Captain Gerardi Davis gave the Club its flagpole, and Captain Paul Hammond donated trees and shrubbery.

During 1936, the "J" Class, the Chute and Bixby's, a trio of dinghies, and a Wee Scot, comprised the fleet. For the most part, these were owned by the Club, although one or two members did own their own boats. Following the procedure of previous seasons, there were both week-day and week-end series races and general instruction in between-times. Prizes for the series and other special prize funds were given by many members of the Senior Club, and more about these is to be found elsewhere in this book. The oldest and most appreciated is the Caryl Prize, which is also a symbol of the bond between Seawanhaka and the yachtsmen of the Clyde. It was established in 1932 by Mr. William F. Robertson during his last visit to Oyster Bay as a member of a British six-metre team, and is named for his boat. It is awarded each year to the boy or girl who has made the most outstanding improvement in seamanship during the season.

Enrollment in 1936 was about sixty, and Mr. Amory found that some form of organized instruction was essential to supplant the former arrangements for individual coaching. He inaugurated a rating system, in essence akin to that sponsored by the Junior Yacht Racing Association in June, 1940.

Due to the inaccessibility of Centre Island, the Senior Club launch used to make regular morning and evening trips around Oyster Bay and Lloyd's Neck to ferry the Junior to and from the Club. This service is carried on now by the Junior launch, *Emerald*.

In 1936, as in previous seasons, the Juniors entered crews in both the Midget and Junior Sound Championship Races. The Junior Crew did very well, and the Midget

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have been. It is too bad to have to mention such a thing in our history, but the facts cannot be ignored.

This season saw the beginning of the Pleon-Seawanhaka Team Race Series for the Trophy given by Commodore Roosevelt. Pleon was the first Club outside Long Island Sound with whom we had team races, and this, the first of an annual series, was a memorable occasion at Seawanhaka. Team races with the Pequot Yacht Club and Cold Spring Harbor Beach Club were also part of the schedule.

Other institutions of 1938 included the Seabird Night Race and the House Committee's famed "pound" for unclaimed articles left about the Club.

Herb and Sheila Irwin and George Lindsay were at the Club in 1939, and it was a very successful season. A new seamanship rating system was instituted which was based on similar ones in our own Club history and in use in other Junior Clubs. The rating of Able Seaman was required to qualify for the Junior Cruise, and the Cruise was set for the end of the summer. No single written test was given, but after-lunch talks were again given daily, and those members who so wished, passed off their requirements for ratings one by one during the season. Through the generosity of Mr. George T. Bowdoin, the Junior Club library was enlarged considerably, and we now boast a thoroughly adequate collection of books on small boat sailing. This encouraged study through individual initiative, and there was no compulsory learning.

A syndicate of members of the Senior Club bought for the Junior Club a Star Class boat, *Etoile*, which has proved invaluable for training the Midget Crew.

Nineteen thirty-nine was an active season on the water, including more team races with other Clubs: Pequot, Shinnecock, and Pleon, as well as the Sound Championships and other series, picnic cruises, and other special races. Few will soon forget the struggle up Cooper's Bluff for the final clue in the Treasure Hunt, or the skipper's jumping overboard and the erratic log-keeping that marked

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the Obstacle Race. And the Junior Cruise, favored by early fall wind and weather, was a fitting climax to the season.

The beginning of the 1940 season saw Herb and Sheila Irwin again at the Club, with Ted Robie as assistant instructor, and Bill Jay as waterfront director.

Changes in the racing schedule were made to reduce the number of Club races, and allow more time for inter-club team races and match racing. The Seabird Junior Championship Series races, analogous to the "Weekday Series" of past years, were sailed every Wednesday afternoon, and the Open Championship Series races ("Weekend Series") were sailed on Saturday afternoons. The races on Sunday were informal races.

Even with this reduction of the number of races, the calendar was solidly filled. The Pleon Yacht Club visited Oyster Bay in July and the six-race series was thoroughly enjoyed by both clubs. Other team races were sailed with the Pequot, Port Washington and Manhasset Bay Yacht Clubs. For the first time since the Curtin Bowl was given in 1937, Seawanhaka gained its custody in a series of four team races with the Cold Spring Harbor Beach Club. Another home-and-home series was raced with the Shinnecock Yacht Club, in the course of which our Commodore distinguished himself by capsizing in the unfamiliar "SS" Class boats. Novel to the Seawanhaka team was the procedure of capsizing in shoulder-deep water and running the boats up on the beach to lend a hand.

The rating system underwent many changes for the better in the process of being recommended by the Junior Yacht Racing Association for use at all Member Clubs, and was adopted by the Junior Club enthusiastically.

More and more have the Juniors proved themselves able to manage their own Club, and a successful innovation to generalize this interest has been the Club meeting each Wednesday afternoon. This has proved its value in allowing each member to know more of how the Club is run and to offer his or her suggestions for its betterment.

The Club has begun to settle down into its stride.

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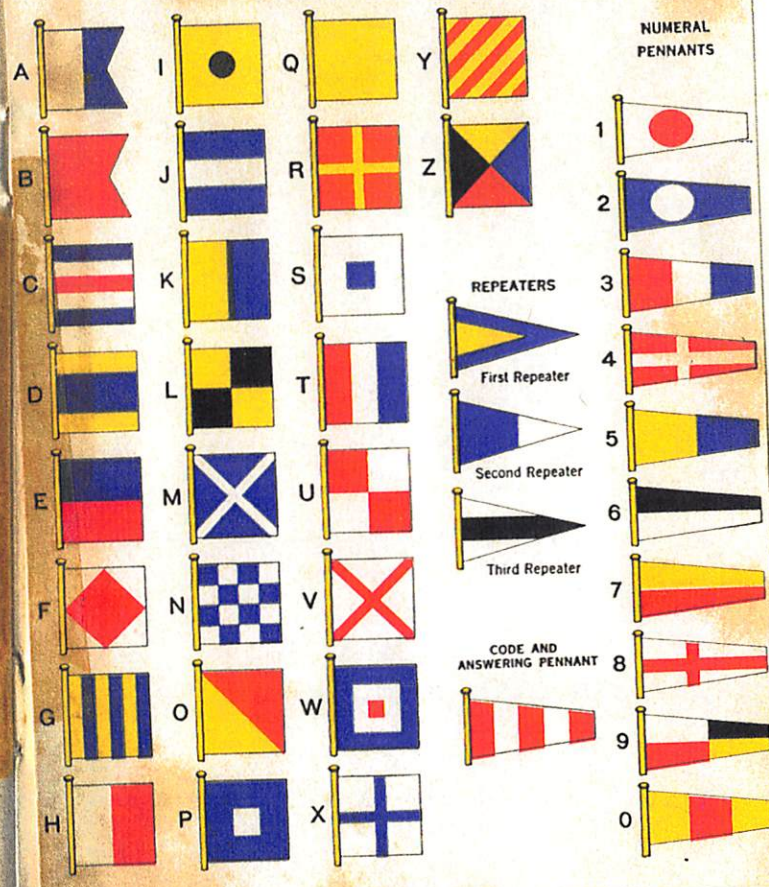
Time has eliminated from the enrollment those who were merely "joiners." The membership is more active, more interested, and the attendance larger and more regular.

One should not close this first chapter of the Junior Club without recording grateful acknowledgement to those men who have been Chairman of the Committee on Junior Activities of the Senior Club, whose enthusiasm, wisdom, and faithful effort rendered possible the organization of the Junior Club, and whose able navigation has guided the Club through experimental waters. To Vice Commodore Percy Weeks, the first Chairman of the official Standing Committee, to his successor, Captain Porter Buck, and to Secretary George T. Bowdoin, the present Chairman, we tender appreciative thanks.

The record of the Seawanhaka Corinthian Junior Yacht Club is short and largely experimental. Its basic purpose is to train yachtsmen and yachswomen who will do justice to the Senior Club in future years, and that purpose is only just beginning to be realized. Young as it is, the Junior Club's traditions are being made as it continues to satisfy and foster the love of sailing and the sportsmanship that is its root.

INTERNATIONAL CODE FLAGS AND PENNANTS

This new code will go into international use on January 1, 1934



RACING SIGNALS

(Hoisted on Starboard Yardarm)

B—Protest
G—Race postponed for fifteen minute intervals
I—Course will be sailed in reverse direction
J—Race is called off
M—Course will be shortened
Q—Come within hail
R—Mark has shifted. This vessel is the mark
S—Course to be sailed twice around
Y—Leave all marks to starboard
Z—Leave all marks to port
AU—Follow Committee Boat to new starting line.

SEABIRD COURSES

(Hoisted on Main Truck)

K—Monastery, Lighthouse, Finish
L—Lighthouse, Monastery, Finish
M—Monastery, Gong 1, Finish
N—Gong 1, Monastery, Finish
O—Mistress, Monastery, Lighthouse, Finish
P—Mistress, Lighthouse, Monastery, Finish
Q—Mistress, Monastery, Gong 1, Finish
R—Mistress, Gong 1, Monastery, Finish

SEABIRD

LOA 24.0 LWL 17.0 beam 5.9 draught 3.6

The Seawanhaka Corinthian Junior Yacht Club was incorporated in 1936. After an initial season with a wide variety of different classes, the need for a single one-design class became obvious. Various existing classes in use at other Junior programs were considered and rejected. Ultimately Sparkman & Stephens was commissioned to design a new class for our Juniors.

The boat was to have a modern sail plan with a parachute spinnaker, lead keel and simple rig. Above all it was to be safe, unsinkable, and indestructible. The design was an update of the Manhasset Bay One-Design, one of Olin Stephen's first efforts, and the plans were dispatched to the Penn Yan Boat Co. This company had built canoes and small outboards for many years in bucolic surroundings upstate. They had never tackled anything as large as this. But they had recently been acquired by Commodore George Nichols' brother, Bill who had employed one of the skilled foreman of Herreshoff Mfg. Co.

The construction plan was novel. A mold was built and 3" wide, plywood planks were steam bent and applied vertically side by side. Then a layer of canvas was spread. Over these, plywood planking was laid horizontally and fastened to the "frames" by a multitude of tacks. It is alleged that the star carpenter could hold 26 tacks between his teeth. Upon completion, large balsa wood blocks were installed fore and aft to insure flotation.

During the 1936 private school Christmas vacation, a group including the Junior Club's first Commodore, Henry H. Anderson jr., trekked up-state to test the prototype on the finger lakes. It was cold and blowing a gale so that in addition to design modifications reducing costs, the committee also ordered 3 ft. off the mast. The result had a rough resemblance to the original design. 29 were built for Seawanhaka, and a few for individuals elsewhere. The SEABIRDS thus produced were to prove Seawanhaka's most enduring one-design class.

For about a decade, the SEABIRD Class fulfilled its sponsors fondest expectations. But with the end of World War II, a more modern, less expensive and more widely distributed class was sought for our Juniors portending the Seabird's demise. In 1951, like Marines to the rescue, Ladies Sailing began to grow in interest, enthusiasm and focus on the SEABIRD. Old boats were purchased, rejuvenated and launched once again. Thus powered and loved, they continue to provide safe, fun racing.

The SEABIRD'S particular speciality has been as a weekday vessel, but they also raced as a class on weekends until 1980. Their first fleet race was in July 1937 around a short course to the Moses Point nun and return. Later they were to race in the Sound and during the years of World War II, they were the only Seawanhaka Class racing regularly on weekends. At this time they were about the only cruising boats in the Club. A few have made extensive voyages; and for many years they raced around to Pete Smith's in Lloyd Harbor for an overnight.

In 1967 Bruce Tuttle sacrificed number 1, EARLY BIRD, to Lunn Laminates in Huntington which used her as a mold to fabricate fiberglass hulls with the old lead keel, fittings, spars and sails retained. In this way most of the fleet was converted.

The balsa wood flotation and later the air tanks have been put to the test, and passed. Many have been swamped to the gunwales over the years. Possibly the most spectacular

occasion took place in 1948 when four succumbed to a simultaneous knockdown while under the command of Juniors racing up the harbor in a Sou'wester.

Who can forget a sunburned to the hue of a raisin, lithe, teenage, rascal "Bimmy" Duys regularly trimming Seawanhaka's adult, world-class sailors in the 30's; the young Jim and then his brother John Roosevelt dominating the class in the 40's; the exploits of the Meinertz family in the 50's and 60's; the devotion of the Schneiders to two SEABIRDS; Liz Roosevelt's lizard adorned spinnaker; four time class champion Willie Glenn's rig experimentations; controversial contests for the Squaw Cup and joy as sequential victors, Nancy Loomis, Timmie Schneider and Mimi Neff went on to victories in the LIS Ladies Championships and Adams Trophies!

Certainly a high point in Class history was the SEABIRD Worlds run off in mid-Sound during the otherwise uneventful summer of 1969. Not all the porch members perceived the humor in the title, but in fact it did become a World Championship of sorts when Liz Roosevelt was authorized by antipodean friends to represent New Zealand. A tiny, towhead, Steve Benjamin finished last (someone has to) whereupon his crew, the equally youthful Phil Roosevelt, referred to themselves as the "World's worst SEABIRD sailors". Happily Steve has left this title far astern.

A 50th anniversary banquet was held in the Clubhouse in the fall of 1987. The roster of members who had actively participated in the Class was impressive. A decade of former Juniors attested to the boat's ability to teach seamanship in a gentle yet firm manner. 40 years of ladies who had lavished affection on their SEABIRDS and in return had been transformed into doughty tars spun yarns about their little yachts late into the evening.

Our half model of a SEABIRD was built for Rear Commodore H. H. Anderson Sr. by Edwin H. Erickson of West New York, N. J. in 1938 from the boat's original plans. In 1961 the actual lines were taken off from an existing Seabird by Wilhelm Teepe. At this writing both sets of lines have disappeared.

It is interesting to reflect on an early owners roster: **HENRY H. ANDERSON, JR.**

1. GOONEY	George Nichols	18. SEAGAR	H. M. Duys
2. SAND PIPER	Van S. Merle-Smith	19. BILL S.	A. D. Smith
3. GULL	Philip J. Roosevelt	20. JONANDIC	Dr. E. C. Jessup
4. OUZEL	Henry H. Anderson	23. KITTIWAKE	Sheila Curtin
5. GABBIANO	Julian K. Roosevelt	25. PENGUIN	Warren Murdock
6. WHISTLER	E. C. Janeway	26. CHANG	James D. Mooney
7. SONJA	James C. Bell jr.	27. CHILOE	H. T. Slocum
8. STORMY PETREL	G. T. Bowdoin	28. AUK	H. S. Morgan
9. SWAN	Harriet Jackson	29. COMET II	Robert Clarkson
10. SNAPPER	Edgar Appleby	30. PLOVER	E. C. Oelsner
12. LITTLE TERN	Marjorie Gerdes	31. DAUNTLESS	Robert Lovett
14. ATHABASCA	H. P. Davison	32. COOT	S. A. Mitchell
15. NOLEKA	E. R. Bigelow	33. PUDDLEBUCK	Constance Ely
17. PINTAIL	E. P. Snyder	34. MOUETTE	B. B. Howard