

## BY\*LAWS

## CHAPTER I

## Meeting

Section 1. The Annual meeting of this Club shall be held on the Second Wednesday evening in January of each year at which, the report of the Secretary, Treasurer and Committees shall be read, and Officers for the ensuing year elected.

Section 2. The regular meetings of the Club shall be held monthly, the day to be determined at the annual meeting for the ensuing year.

Section 3. The Commodore may call a Special meeting at his pleasure, and shall do so upon the written request of three (3) members. Said request shall state the purpose for which meetings are called, and no other business except that for which the meeting is called shall be transacted.

Section 4. Notices shall be issued by the Secretary for the Annual and all Special Meetings, at least three (3) days before the date ordered. Notices for special meetings shall state the purpose for which said meetings are called.

## QUORUM

Section 5. Five (5) members shall constitute a quorum of the Club, and of the Board of Trustees.

## ORDER OF BUSINESS

Section 6. At meetings, the order of business shall be as follows:

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1. Roll call.
2. Minutes of previous meeting.
3. Report of Secretary.
4. Report of Treasurer.
5. Report of Finance Committee.
6. Report of Race Committee.
7. Report of Program Committee.
8. Report of Special Committees.
9. Elections.
10. Unfinished business.
11. New business.
12. Adjournment.

## RULES OF ORDER

Section 7. When a question is before the meeting no motion shall be entertained except:

1. To adjourn.
2. To lay on the table.
3. ~~The~~ previous question.
4. To postpone.
5. To commit.
6. To amend.

Which several motions shall have precedence in the order above given, and the first three shall be dicided without debate.

Section 8. If any two members shall request, the yeas and nays shall be called upon any question, where upon each member present shall vote as his name is called, without debate, unless excused from voting by the meeting, and the vote so taken shall be recorded in the minutes.

Section 9. A motion to reconsider must be made by a member who voted with the majority, and at the same meeting or succeeding meeting.

Section 10. Except as otherwise provided, all questions shall be determined by a majority vote. The chairman shall have the casting vote in case of a tie, except, when yeas and nays are ordered, in which case he shall vote when his name is called. If the result be then a tie the motion shall be declared lost.

Section 11. All questions of Parliamentary practice not herein provided for shall be determined in accordance with Cushing's Manual, or Roberts, Rules of Order - Revised.

## Chapter II

### Fees and Dues

Section 1. The dues to this club shall be twenty-five cents payable in advance on the first of each month.

Section 2. Any member who may be in arrears for dues for more than three (3) months shall be notified by the Treasurer of the amount due and in case he shall neglect to pay the same before the next regular meeting of the club the Treasurer shall report the same to the Board of Trustees, who may instruct the Commodore to read his name in open meeting of the Club, and unless the Club shall otherwise determine he shall forfeit his membership.

## CHAPTER III

### YACHT ENROLLMENT

Section 1. Any yacht owned wholly or in part by a member of the Club may be enrolled in the Club Fleet upon her owner or owners filing with the Secretary a description of the yacht, comprising her name, ownership, dimensions, rig, signal and the

name and address of her builders if known.

Section 2. Every member upon buying or selling a yacht, changing her rig, dimensions or private signal, changing her from keel, shall give written notice of such change to the Secretary.

Section 3. A member using a yacht not enrolled in the Squadron shall not fly the Club Burgee unless by permission of the Commodore obtained in writing.

#### CHAPTER IV

#### Club Signals, Pennants, etc.

Section I. The distinguishing signal of the Club shall be as follows:

Section 2. The Commodore shall display a rectangular flag with a foul anchor encircled by thirteen five pointed stars, in white, on a blue field; The Vice-Commodore, a rectangular flag with a similar device on a red field; The Rear-Commodore a rectangular flag with a similar device in red, on a white field. The Race Committee's flag shall be a rectangular with a red vertical foul anchor, supported by the two letters R.C. in white on a blue field.

Section 3. The Owner of every yacht entitled to fly the Club Burgee shall have a private signal.

## CHAPTER V

## Uniforms

Service Dress: - Double-breasted sack coat of blue or white cloth, serge or flannel. Blue or white waist coat, each with the Club Button, black buttons on blue, and gilt buttons on white; trousers of the same material as coat, or of white.

Mess Jacket. (Full Dress) to be regulation.

Cap. To be regulation.

Buttons. Shall be of two kinds, gilt and black, bearing as a device a fowl anchor, surrounded by the circular inscription "Massabesic Yacht Club, N.H.", for the larger size; the small button to have the "N.H." in the center in place of anchor.

CAP DEVICES

FOR COMMODORE. Two crossed fowl anchors, one and three-eighth inches in length, with flukes down, embroidered in gold; at their intersection a raised disc, five-eighths of an inch in diameter, showing the Burgee, enameled on metal, the disc surrounded by a narrow gold buillion and a gold star one-half inch in diameter at each end of, and one above the device, with a space of three-sixteenths of an inch between the device and stars, to be worn on the band.

FOR VICE-COMMODORE. Same as for Commodore, ~~omitting~~ the star above, the stars at each end to be silver.

FOR REAR-COMMODORE. Same as for Commodore, omitting the stars at each end, the star above device to be of silver.

FOR CAPTAINS AND EX-FLAG OFFICERS. Same as for Commodore, omitting stars.

FOR SECRETARY. Same as for Captain, with a maple leaf in gold placed above the device and placed horizontal.

FOR TREASURER. Same as for Secretary, substituting for maple leaf, an acorn in gold.

FOR HARBOR\*MASTER. Same as for Secretary, substituting for maple leaf, a gold bar, placed horizontal.

FOR RACE COMMITTEE. Same as for Captain, with a foul anchor in gold, one-half inch long, placed above device and verticle.

FOR MEMBERS. Same as for Captain, omitting one anchor, the remaining anchor to be verticle.

#### DESIGNATION OF RANK

The designation of rank shall be worn on the sleeve of all coats, as follows: Black on blue clothes; white on white clothes.

BY THE COMMODORE. Five stripes of heavy mohair tubular braid, three-eighths of an inch wide, the first placed two inches from end of cuff; the others above and one-quarter of an inch apart, the upper stripes ending in a described trefoil on the upper side of the sleeve; three gilt stars, placed one in the center of each loop of the trefoil, on each sleeve.

BY THE VICE-COMMODORE. Four stripes as above. Two gilt stars placed one in the center of each of the lower loops of the trefoil.

BY THE REAR-COMMODORE. Three stripes as above. One gilt star placed in the center of the upper loop of the trefoil.

BY CAPTAIN'S, THE SECRETARY, TREASURER, HARBOR-MASTER, AND RACE COMMITTEE.

Two stripes as above, with trefoil.

BY MEMBERS. One stripe as above, with the trefoil.

BY EX-FLAG OFFICERS. ex-flag officers shall be entitled to wear on the sleeve the designation of their rank, but without the stars.

#### CHAPTER VI

##### Care of Yachts.

Members shall be responsible for the proper mooring of their yachts and neither the Club nor its employees shall be responsible for any damage which may occur from the slipping, breaking away from or dragging their anchor, but in case of accident reasonable effort will be

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made to protect the property of the members.

## CHAPTER VII

## Use of Docks and Floats

No yacht shall be permitted at any time to lie to at the Club docks or floats for a longer period than is absolutely necessary for the purpose of embarking or disembarking guests, or for the taking on or off of stores or warter.

## CHAPTER VIII

## MISDEMEANORS, PENALTIES &amp; REINSTATEMENTS.

Any member of the Club may present to the Board of Trustees written charges against another member for conduct unbecoming a gentleman or likely to endanger the welfare or good order of the Club; or for insubordination or disobedience of ordere of the officers when in Squadron or for violation of the requirements of the By-Laws, and after the member so charged shall have been notified and given an opportunity to be heard in answer to such charges, if found huiltly the Board may suspend him from all rights and privileges of membership or may declare his membership forfeited. But any member shall have the right, within one month thereafter, to appeal to the club at a regular meeting, and the Club by two-thirds vote of the members present, may reverse the action of the Board and restore the appellant to any rights or privileges of membership. Any member thus suspended shall be stricken from the roll under this rule, the Secretary shall cause notice of such discharge to be posted on the Club bulletin 30 days.

## CHAPTER IX

Section 1. Amendments to these By-Laws may be proposed at any meeting, but no amendment if then passed, shall be valid until approved at a subsequent meeting. If an amendment is adopted at the meeting at which it is proposed, it must be

kept posted until the next meeting on the Bulletin Board by the Secretary.

Section 2. There shall be no suspension of these By-Laws.

These By\*Laws approved 1940.