

**Boothbay Harbor Yacht Club**  
**Classic Boat Race**  
 Friday, July 22, 2016  
 Friday, August 19, 2016



**SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

**1 RULES**

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing.
- 1.2 Part B of ISAF Offshore Special Regulations Appendix J – Category 5 Special Regulations for inshore races shall apply.
- 1.3 All boats in all classes shall carry a functioning VHF radio.
- 1.4 All boats shall comply with Federal and State safety requirements.

**2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS**

- 2.1 Notices will be placed online at [www.bhyc.net/classicrace.html](http://www.bhyc.net/classicrace.html) (click the “more information” link in the upper right).

**3 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

- 3.1 Any change to the Sailing Instructions will be posted before 1215 on the day of the race, except that any change to the schedule of the races will be posted by 2000 on the day before it will take effect.

**4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE**

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed from the flag pole on the dock at BHYC.
- 4.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, ‘1 minute’ is replaced with ‘not less than 60 minutes’ in the race signal AP.

**5 SCHEDULE**

- 5.1 A Skippers’ meeting will be held at BHYC at 1245 on the day of the race.
- 5.2 The time of the first warning is scheduled for 1430. The first start will be at 1435.

**6 STARTING ORDER, CLASS FLAGS and COURSE MARKS**

- 6.1 The starting order shall be announced at the skippers’ meeting. The first boat to start (the highest rated boat) will be given the standard starting sequence as shown below:

	Minutes before Start	Sound Signal	Visual Signal	What you will see
Warning	5:00	One	Code Flag “A” Raised	
Preparatory	4:00	One	Code Flag “P” Raised	
One Minute	1:00	One Long	Code Flag “P” Lowered	
Start	0:00	One	Code Flag “A” Lowered	

- 6.2 The remaining boats will start at the time shown on the scratch sheet for the announced course. The Race Committee will endeavor to advise competitors of their starting times 1 minute prior to the appropriate time and may give further count downs from 1 minute. Failure to do so or mistake in these warnings shall not be grounds for redress of any kind.
- 6.3 All boats should remain clear of the starting area until they are next in sequence.

**7 COURSES**

7.1 Courses may be one of the following:

- 7.1.1 **“Long Course”** – 9.46nm course leaving marks ‘A’ – ‘J’ – and ‘M’ to port with finish at the starting line in the vicinity of N6 off Spruce Point. This course is shown in **BLUE** on the chart on page 5.
- 7.1.2 **“Figure Eight”** – 5.77 nm course which will encompass and circumnavigate the islands of Mouse and Burnt on the northern part of the course and Squirrel Island on the southern portion of the course, finishing at the Coast Guard buoy near the BHYC mooring area. Shown in **RED** on chart on page 5. The start of this course will be approx. 2/10 nm north of N6 off Spruce Point.
- 7.1.3 **“Short”** – 4.53 nm course leaving mark ‘L’ to port, Squirrel Island to Port and mark ‘J’ to port returning to start-finish line. Shown in **GREEN** on chart on page 5.
- 7.1.4 **“Easterly Long”** – 8.96 nm course. Starting in the vicinity of mark ‘L’ off Squirrel Island or mark ‘Q’ off Burnt Island. The course is ‘S’ – ‘K’ – ‘L’ – Squirrel Island (left to port) – ‘J’ – finish at ‘N’ (Coast Guard buoy near the BHYC mooring area). All marks to be left to port except that Mark ‘M’ (Tumbler flasher) must be observed (left to starboard). Shown in chart on page 6.
- 7.1.5 **“Easterly Short”** – 5.69 nm course. Starting in the vicinity of mark ‘L’ off Squirrel Island or mark ‘Q’ off Burnt Island. The course is ‘S’ – ‘L’ – ‘K’ – ‘M’ – finish at ‘N’. All marks except ‘K’ to be left to STARBOARD, ‘K’ to be left to PORT. Shown on chart on page 7.

7.2 Marks:

Courses also might use one or more of the marks shown below. Courses will be announced and described in detail at the skippers’ meeting.

- A: Bell “1C” 0.40 nm S of the Cuckolds
- G: RW Bell MO(A) “HL” 0.88 nm NE by E of Ram Island Light
- J: N “6” in Fisherman Island Passage
- K: Portable mark near N “6” off Spruce Point
- L: R “4” Fl R 2.5s NW of Squirrel Island
- M: R “8” Fl R 4s NW of Tumbler Island
- N: USCG buoy off BHYC mooring field
- Q: GR “BI” South of Burnt Island
- S: G “3” S of Cabbage Island in Linekin Bay
- T: Drop mark at the 52’ spot NE of Newagen
- U: Drop mark at the 32’ spot S of Squirrel
- W Drop mark at 16’ spot W of Fisherman Island at Wylie Rock
- X: Drop mark to be determined by Race Committee

7.3 Course Legs, Distance, Magnetic Bearing, and Reciprocal:

LEG DISTANCE BEARING RECIPROCAL

Leg	Distance (NM)	Bearing(s)	Reciprocal(s)
K-T	2.13	211	031
K-A	3.07	215	035
K-L	0.78	219	039
K-M	0.68	350	170
K-N via R8	1.21	350/016	170/196
A-J	2.50	064	244
T-J	1.76	079	259
L-S via N2	1.85	072/054	252/234
S-K via N2	1.37	236/310	056/130
J-G	1.14	110	290



**8 AREAS THAT ARE OBSTRUCTIONS**

8.1 Boats shall not sail between mark “A” and Cuckolds or mark “J” and Ocean Point when marks “A” and “J” are not marks of the course. Boats shall not sail between Fisherman’s Island and The Hypocrites or between Tumbler Island and Spruce Point.

**9 THE START AND FINISH**

- 9.1 The approximate location of the starting area will be announced at the skippers’ meetings and on VHF Channel 72 prior to the first race.
- 9.2 Unless otherwise announced, the starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the Race Committee Signal Boat and a portable buoy in the vicinity of N6 off Spruce Point. RC Signal boat may display code flag “L” and proceed to new location.
- 9.3 A limiting mark may be placed at the starting line, either streamed from or in close proximity to the Race Committee Signal Boat. Boats striking this limiting mark or sailing between the mark and the Race Committee Signal Boat will be considered in violation of RRS 31.
- 9.4 A pursuit start will be used for these races. Starting times will be based upon PHRF-NE handicap ratings assigned by the Race Committee as set forth in the Notice of Race. Specific start times will be assigned to each boat at the Skippers' meeting, and will be repeated on VHF channel 72 at the beginning of the race and before each start. All starts will be based on GPS time.
- 9.5 **Any boat over the line at its assigned start time should continue to race. A five minute penalty will be added to the boat’s finish time without a hearing, this changes RRS 29.1.**

**10 PENALTY SYSTEM**

10.1 The Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty for infringements of Part 2, Right of Way Rules. This modifies rule Rule 44.1.

**11 TIME LIMITS:**

The time limit for the first boat to sail the course and finish is 1700. Boats failing to finish by 1730 or within 60 minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes (whichever is earlier) will be scored Did Not Finish, without hearing, changing rules 35, A4 and A5.

**12 PROTESTS:**

- 12.1 Protests must be filed on a protest form within 30 minutes after the RC Signal Boat has docked.
- 12.2 Intention to protest must be indicated to the Race Committee at the time of finishing. A yacht that withdraws must notify the RC as soon as possible.
- 12.3 RRS Appendix T Sections B and D shall apply.

**13 SCORING**

13.1 The low point scoring system, **RRS Appendix A4.1** shall be used. Ties will be broken in strict accordance with **RRS Appendix A8**.

**14 RADIO COMMUNICATION**

14.1 The race committee will monitor VHF channel 72 for emergency transmissions. The race committee may also be using VHF channel 72 for working communications, and may employ an “open mike” policy. Boats may monitor VHF channel 72, but are advised that any race committee communications are unofficial, and made either for race management purposes or as a courtesy to the competitors.



**15 SAFETY**

- 15.1 All yachts are requested to check-in with the Race Committee before the start of the race by sailing past the RC signal boat on starboard tack and hailing their sail number, and receiving confirmation from the Race Committee, or by calling on VHF channel 72.
- 15.2 A yacht that retires must notify the RC as soon as possible.

**16 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

- 16.1 Competitors participate in the regatta entire at their own risk. See **RRS Rule 4, Decision to Race**. The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

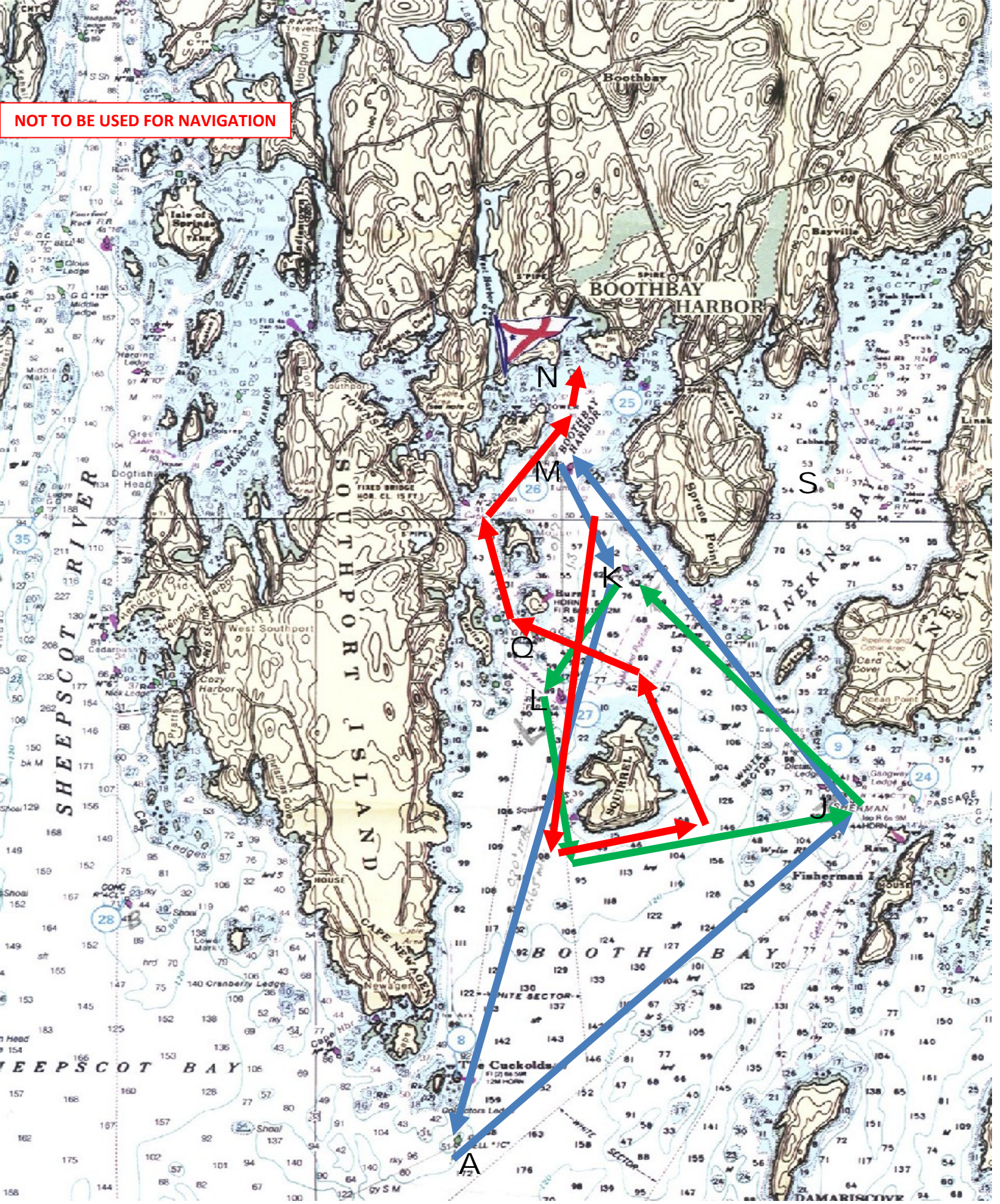
**17 INSURANCE**

- 17.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance.

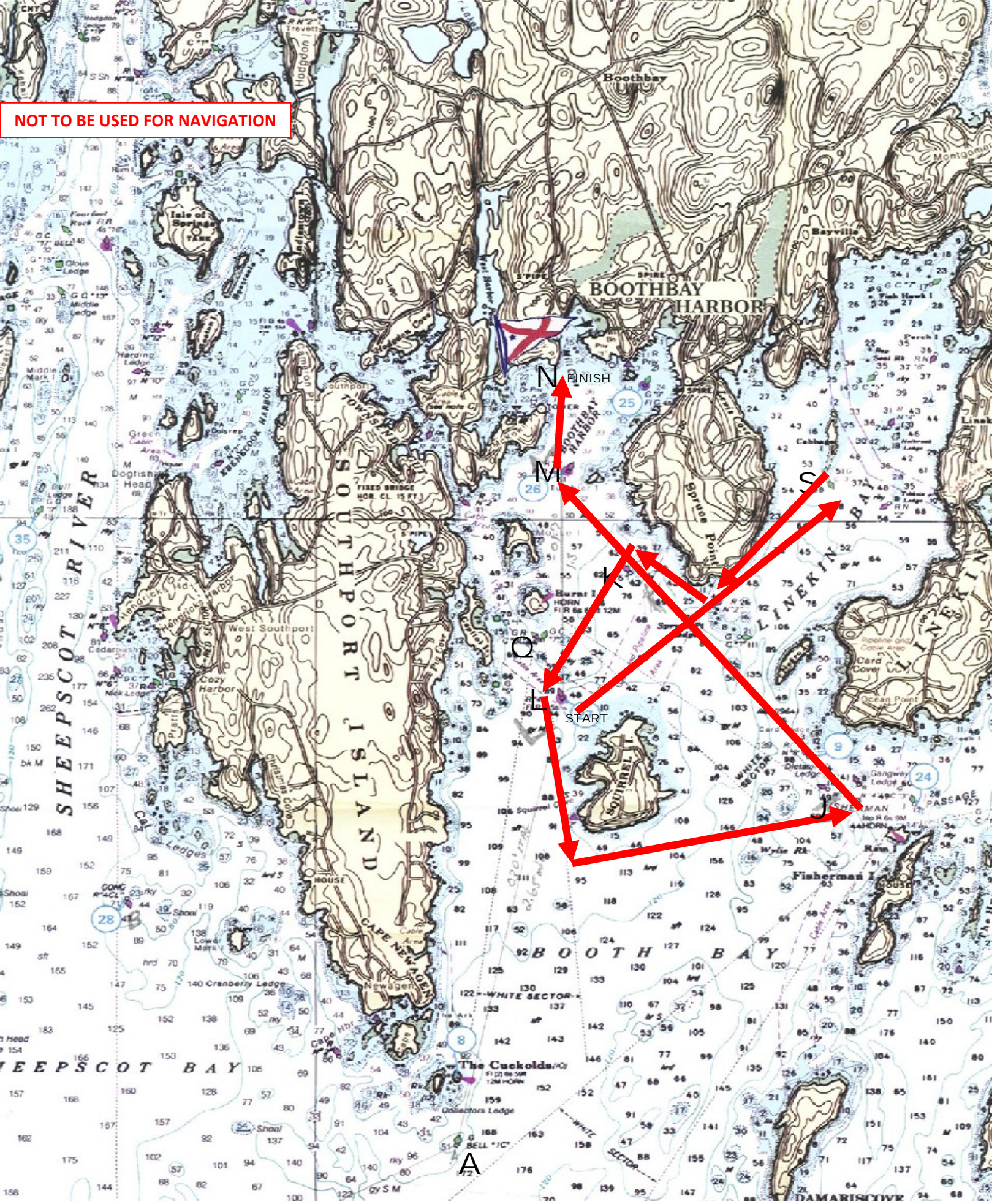
**18 FURTHER INFORMATION**

- 18.1 For further information go to <http://www.bhyc.net/classicrace.html>.

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