July 10, 1968

To: Mr. L. S. Shamblin

From: Stewart A. Baker

Use of the boats will be restricted to students and faculty who have satisfied the Club Commodore that they are qualified to sail. For purposes of training, I have asked the current Commodore, Greg White, to devise a training program whereby the students would gain ratings on intermediate and expert. Local sailors, in particular, Richard Facer, Bill Wallace, and Philip would be requested to help us with our training program. Each student sailor will provide us with a waiver of liability.

The conditions of the liability and property damage insurance for the Rice Sailing Club’s boats will be as follows:

1. The fleet will consist of six 420’s, whose original cost, with sails, will be $1086 each. We will not insure the trailers.

2. As Faculty Advisor for the Club, I will bear ultimate responsibility for purchase, storage, and maintenance of the boats. Dr. Edmund K. Doak, who is one of the leaders in the Club’s Advisory Committee, has offered to assist me in this regard. The undergraduate Commodore of the Club, under our direction, will take the responsibility for day-to-day care and maintenance.

3. During the sailing season, which will be the Fall and Spring, the boats will be kept on trailers at either the Houston Yacht Club or the Seabrook Shipyard. Our arrangements with the Yacht Club are tentative, but we have a definite offer from Mr. Albert Fay to store the boats at the Shipyard.

4. Sails will be stored in the Rice Gymnasium, where the Equipment Custodian will have responsibility for them. The Equipment Custodian will have a list of the persons qualified to sail the Club boats. A student wishing to sail will apply to the Equipment Custodian for a sail, sign for them, and leave his Student Activity Card as a deposit. In signing for the sails, he will agree to be responsible for the first $50 of any damage that might occur to the boat. Although no deposit in cash will be given, this sum will be reclaimable through the Cashier’s Office, where all bills must be cleared before graduation.

5. When the boats go out of town for regattas, the skipper of each boat will have full responsibility for his boat.

Thank you for your help.

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TO: Secretary, A. Baker

FROM: Mr. J. S. Hopf

The committee of the Finance and Property Committee for the Rice Sailing Club's boats will proceed as follows:

1. The fees will consist of a fixed $20.00, where original cost, with entries will be $100.00 each. We will not increase the entries.

2. As Secretary-Admiral for the Club, I will send notices of responsibilities for insurance, maintenance, and repairs to each owner of the boat. The notice will be sent in a timely manner.

3. During the sailing season, which will be from 1st April to 30th September, our organization's rule will be that the yacht club will be responsible for any damage or repairs to the yacht while in our possession.

4. Each yacht will be assigned to the Rice Commonwealth where the rental will be charged. The rental committee will have a list of the personnel to be responsible for the boat. A student assigned to duty will write the Yachtsman. All accounts will be paid for in cash. We will not accept charges. Please ensure that your list will be received before graduation.

5. When the boat is out of commission for repair, the skipper of each boat will have full responsibilities for the boat.

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(6) Use of the boats will be restricted to students and faculty who have satisfied the Club Commodore that they are qualified to sail. For purposes of qualification, I have asked the current Commodore, Greg White, to devise a training program whereby the students would gain ratings such as Novice, Intermediate, and Expert. Local sailors—in particular, Richard Percoco, Bill Wallace, and Phillipe Pichat—have offered to help us with our training program. Each student sailor will provide us with a waiver of responsibility.

(7) The boats are self-rescuing, i.e., they cannot sink and if they swamp or capsize, they can be bailed out and sailed again. Each boat will carry two Coast Guard regulation life-jackets, one for each sailor. Sailing will be restricted to official races and regattas, or for purposes of day-sailing, to an area on Galveston Bay bordered by Morgan’s Point, the Houston Ship Channel, and San Leon, all of which are easily within sight of land or shipping.

(8) In addition to the first $50 for which the student sailor is responsible, the Club will be responsible for another $50, making a total deductible of $100.

(9) In addition to carrying insurance, we will also establish an annual maintenance fund for boats and sails. I would like to make available $100 per boat per year. Our fund raising activities are going so well that I hope to have this fund by the time the boats arrive.

(10) During the winter and summer, the boats will be stored on campus, where they will be available for maintenance. I want to be certain that each of our sailors sees this side of boat-ownership.

(11) The boats will not be available for rental at any time. I don’t think that rental would be consistent with our maintenance aims or our desire for a first-rate racing fleet.

Liability insurance, of course, will be an on-going matter. Property damage insurance, with the $100 deductible, will be desirable for at least the first two years, both to protect our investment and reassure the donors of the boats.

Thank you for your help.

Stewart A. Baker, Faculty Advisor
Rice Sailing Club

cc: Dr. Pitzer, Dr. Doak
Use of the course will be restricted to guests and
family members of members for the purpose of
showing them what the golf course is like. The
idea is to encourage the development of golf
skills and to familiarize guests with the course.

8. The course will be open to guests only on
weekends and holidays, and only when the
weather permits. The course will be closed in
the winter months.

9. All guests are required to register at the
clubhouse before playing. A guest pass will be
issued to each guest upon request.

10. Guests are required to follow all club rules
and regulations. Violation of these rules will
result in immediate expulsion from the
club.

11. Guests are required to carry their own
clubs and to return them to the club
immediately after use.

12. Guests are required to behave in a
manner that is respectful to other guests and
members of the club.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Secretary, Pleasure Pointe

Field Staff, Pleasure Pointe