2007 Annapolis Yacht Club Hangover Bowl Sailing Instructions January 1, 2007

Brought to you by the soberest (whoever we could rouse), members of the Special Events Race Committee (SERC).

These sailing instructions pertain to the race. We assume you already know the basics of sailing, like PEGF (pointy end goes first), RRR (red, right, returning) and don't get your rudder stuck in the mud.

Rules: The usual.

Entries: Sign in at the Bar before Skippers meeting. You must be present and awake to win.

Notices to competitors: The RC is not in a condition to notice any competitors.

Changes to Sailing Instructions: Only when necessary to confuse the competitors.

Signals Made Ashore: Check the yahoo's bundled up on the second deck for any last minute instructions.

Schedule: Close of Registration: One minute after the last request, accompanied by an appropriate gratuity.

Skipper's Meeting: Around 12:15 or when the RC is ready.

Racing begins: Listen up at the skippers meeting. We'll mention a few times and you can start at one of them.

Racing Ends: This is Annapolis. Sailboat racing never ends. It just fades away.

Classes, Time of Signals & Courses: Still in a state of flux. We're working on our physics warp device to lock things in. Once again – listen up at the skippers meeting.

Courses: Fine, medium coarse. We'll use what we think appropriate.

Starts: At least 1 after the Cal's have cleared the area.

Starting line: Between the cluster of yahoo's on the second deck (orange flag) and some point on the low rent side of the creek. Once again-listen up at the skippers meeting.

Course Change: The chef will be drunk and refuses to allow substitutions.

Individual Recall: The jury will interrogate competitors to determine which individuals are capable of recalling events of the previous 24 hours.

General Recall: This is a navel event. The generals are still hung over.

Course Shorten: Individual captains may choose to return to port at any time.

Postponement: Without a schedule what's to postpone?

Finish Line: That same line between the yahoo's on the second deck and the flagpole on the low rent side. (Make sure you pick out the right bunch of yahoo's.)

Protests: The RC is into pizza and beer today and paperwork of any kind is frowned upon. See the penalty section for possible infringement rewards.

Time Limit: There is none. However, the RC *strongly* suggests arriving back at the club before the pizza gets cold.

Penalties: The RC may use the old 10 ga. cannons to reduce sail area.

Scoring: This is a family event and a recuperative period for a lot of people. Scoring (or trying to), is frowned upon.

Safety: Just remember, a trip to the emergency room means being treated by staff that probably were out last night as well so be careful out there.

Prizes: May be awarded at the annual awards party. Expect awards like fastest and stupid enough to go sailing on New Year's Day when there are perfectly decent football games on TV.