

BARNEGAT BAY CLUBS TO HELP GUARD COAST

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—To help protect this section of the coast the Barnegat Bay Yacht Racing Association and the Barnegat Bay section of the American Power Boat Association have under consideration plans to provide motor boat patrols.

These associations include not only the several yacht clubs and motor boat clubs which line this section of Barnegat Bay, but similar clubs connected with inland towns as well, and combined they form a powerful organization. The patrol question has been taken up with patriotic enthusiasm by the individual clubs and by the united organizations also.

The members who have suitable boats will present them to the navy and tender their services to the Navy Department. This fleet of boats will render immense services, not only in regard to the duties assigned them in coast protection, but will be a powerful force for protecting inland waters.

Other important steps have been taken for the protection of the coast towns. Just what these are or what has been already done are secrets known only to the Navy Department.

No secret, however, has been made of the putting in better working order of the telephone system connecting all the coast guard stations. These wires are on overhead poles, but another system has been devised in case these overhead wires should be damaged.