

**Glow in the Dark Regatta  
Clinton Lake Sailing Association, Clinton, IL  
September 24 - 25, 2016**

**SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

**1. RULES**

The regatta will be governed by the Rules as defined in the 2013-2016 *Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS)*. If there is a conflict between the Notice of Race and these Sailing Instructions, then these Sailing Instructions will take precedence.

**2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS**

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located in the Clinton Lake Sailing Association (CLSA) pavilion.

**3. CHANGES TO THE SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

Any change to the Sailing Instructions will be posted no later than 1000 on Saturday and 0900 on Sunday, except that any change to the schedule of 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 flagpole located in front of the CLSA pavilion. If a postponement is signaled ashore, the warning signal will be made not less than 45 minutes after flag AP is lowered on shore. This changes Race Signals "AP".

**4.2** When flag Y is displayed, Rule 40 applies at all times while afloat.

**5. SCHEDULE**

**5.1** Saturday, September 24: A competitors' meeting will be held at 0930 at the CLSA pavilion. The warning signal for the first race will be at 1100. Up to three races may be held.

**5.2** Sunday, September 25: The warning signal for the first race will be at 1000 hours. No race will be started after 1230 hours. Up to two races may be held.

**5.3** On both days, subsequent races each day will be held as soon as practicable after the end of the previous race.

**6. RACING AREA**

The racing area will be the navigable waters of Clinton Lake, either directly adjacent CLSA, or in the main basin of Clinton Lake, to the southwest of CLSA, depending on the conditions.

## **7. CLASS FLAGS**

The class flag for the Flying Scot class will be the Flying Scot logo flag.

## **8. MANDATORY CHECK-IN**

After the Signal Boat anchors and flies Code Flag L (Come Within Hail), each boat shall check in by sailing past the Race Committee Signal Boat on starboard tack and hailing its sail number before the first warning signal each day. It shall continue to do so until acknowledged by the Race Committee. Failure to check in may result in that boat not being scored.

## **9. COURSES**

**9.1** The courses that may be sailed are illustrated in Addendum A, which shows the courses, course designations, and the marks in order of rounding. Each single mark shall be rounded, leaving it to port.

**9.2** There will be an offset mark at the windward mark.

**9.3** When there is a gate, boats shall sail between the gate marks from the direction of the previous mark and round either gate mark. If only one gate mark is present, it shall be rounded as a single mark to port.

**9.4** A placard with 3, 4, or 5 will be displayed on the stern of the Signal Boat before the warning signal to designate the course to be sailed.

## **10. MARKS**

**10.1** Marks 1 and 2G will be inflatable red/orange spheres.

**10.2** The starting mark will be a hot pink PVC pipe.

**10.3** The finishing mark may be either a hot pink PVC pipe (for downwind finishes) or a yellow inflatable ball (for upwind finishes).

**10.4** The offset mark will be a red inflatable ball.

**10.5** A new mark as provided in instruction 13 will be a yellow inflatable sphere.

## **11. THE START**

**11.1** Races will be started using RRS 26.

**11.2** The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the Signal Boat at the starboard end, and a hot pink PVC pipe at the port end.

**11.3** As a courtesy, the warning signal for each race may be preceded by short repetitive sound signals to alert competitors that a starting sequence is about to begin.

**11.4** Boats not starting within 5 minutes of their starting signal shall be scored DNS (Did Not Start) without a hearing. This changes RRS A4.1.

## **12. RECALLS**

**12.1** Individual Recalls will be made in accordance with RRS 29.1 -- Flag "X" (white with blue cross) with one sound signal. Flag "X" will stay up for a maximum of four minutes after the starting signal or until all boats have started, whichever occurs first.

**12.2** VHF radios may be carried aboard. As a courtesy, the Race Committee will use Channel 63 to provide information to competitors. After the starting signal, the Race Committee will attempt to hail boats (including by VHF radio) that are OCS and boats that have not complied with RRS 30.1. The delay of such hails, the order of hailing, the lack of a hail, or failure of a competitor to hear such a hail shall not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 29.1 and 62.1(a).

**12.3** General Recalls will be made in accordance with RRS 29.2 -- Flag "First Substitute" (yellow triangular pennant with blue border) and two sound signals.

## **13. CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE**

Changes to course legs will be made in accordance with RRS 33. To change the next leg of the course, the Race Committee will lay a new mark (or move the finishing line) and remove the original mark as soon as practicable. When, in a subsequent change, a new mark is replaced, it will be replaced by an original mark.

## **14. THE FINISH**

**14.1** The finishing line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on a Race Committee boat and the finishing mark. This finish boat will display a blue flag when on station to record finishes.

**14.2** Code Flag "A" displayed, with no sound signal, while boats are finishing means "no more racing today."

**14.3** Boats that retire before finishing shall inform the Race Committee as soon as possible.

## **15. TIME LIMIT**

**15.1** The time limit for the first boat to complete the first leg of the course shall be 40 minutes.

**15.2** The time limit for each race will be 90 minutes for the first boat to sail the course in accordance with Rule 28.1. Any boat finishing more than 30 minutes after the first boat finishes shall be scored Time Limit Expired ("TLE") and shall be awarded two points more than the finishing place of the last boat to finish within the time limit. This changes RRS 35, A4.1,

A5, and A11. If any boats are well behind in a race, the race committee may terminate their race and score those boats at their position.

## **16. PROTESTS**

**16.1** A boat that intends to protest about an incident that occurred in the racing area shall, if practical, notify the Race Committee finish boat of her intention, and the sail number of the boat(s) being protested.

**16.2** Protest forms are available on the official bulletin board.

**16.3** Completed protests shall be delivered to a judge within the protest time limit.

**16.4** The protest time limit is 1 hour after the Race Committee Signal Boat docks after the last race of the day. The docking time will be posted on the official bulletin board. The same time limit applies to protests by the Race Committee and judges about incidents they observe in the racing area. This changes RRS 61.3 and 62.2.

**16.5** Notices will be posted no later than 15 minutes after the end of the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Hearings will be held at the CSLA pavilion, beginning at the posted time. This will constitute notice to all parties under RRS 63.2 and its Prescriptions.

**16.6** Notices of protests by the Race Committee or protest committee will be posted to inform boats under rule 61.1(b).

**16.7** On the last day of the regatta, a request for reopening a hearing shall be delivered (a) within the protest time limit if the party requesting reopening was informed of the decision on the previous day; and (b) no later than 30 minutes after the party requesting reopening was informed of the decision on that day. This changes RRS 66.

## **17. SCORING**

**17.1** Five races are scheduled of which one must be completed to constitute a regatta.

**17.2** Scoring will be according to the Low Point System Appendix A2. A boat's score shall be the total of all its race scores with no score excluded. This changes RRS A2.

## **18. VHF POLICY AND RADIO COMMUNICATION**

**18.1** CSLA recommends that all boats carry a VHF handheld radio for safety reasons.

As a courtesy, the Race Committee will use Channel 63 to provide information to competitors. The Race Committee may use VHF radios to inform competitors of safety information (such as approaching weather) or to hail boats that are on the course side of the starting line (OCS) at the start. Errors or omissions on the part of the Race Committee will not be grounds for granting redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).

**18.2** Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make radio or other electronic transmissions while racing, nor receive special radio or other electronic communications not available to all boats.

## **19. EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS**

A boat or equipment may be inspected by race officials at any time for compliance with class rules and sailing instructions. Competitors are reminded that Flying Scot class rules require carrying an anchor and line, paddle, sound device, one Coast Guard approved throwable and bucket or bailer.

## **20. SAFETY AND SPORTSMANSHIP**

**20.1** Competitors are reminded that they alone are responsible to decide whether to race, continue to race or participate in this event. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. The race organizers, including the Race Committee, protest committee, host club, sponsors or any other organization or official, shall not be responsible for damage to any boat or property, or injury to any competitor that may be sustained as a result of participation in this event.

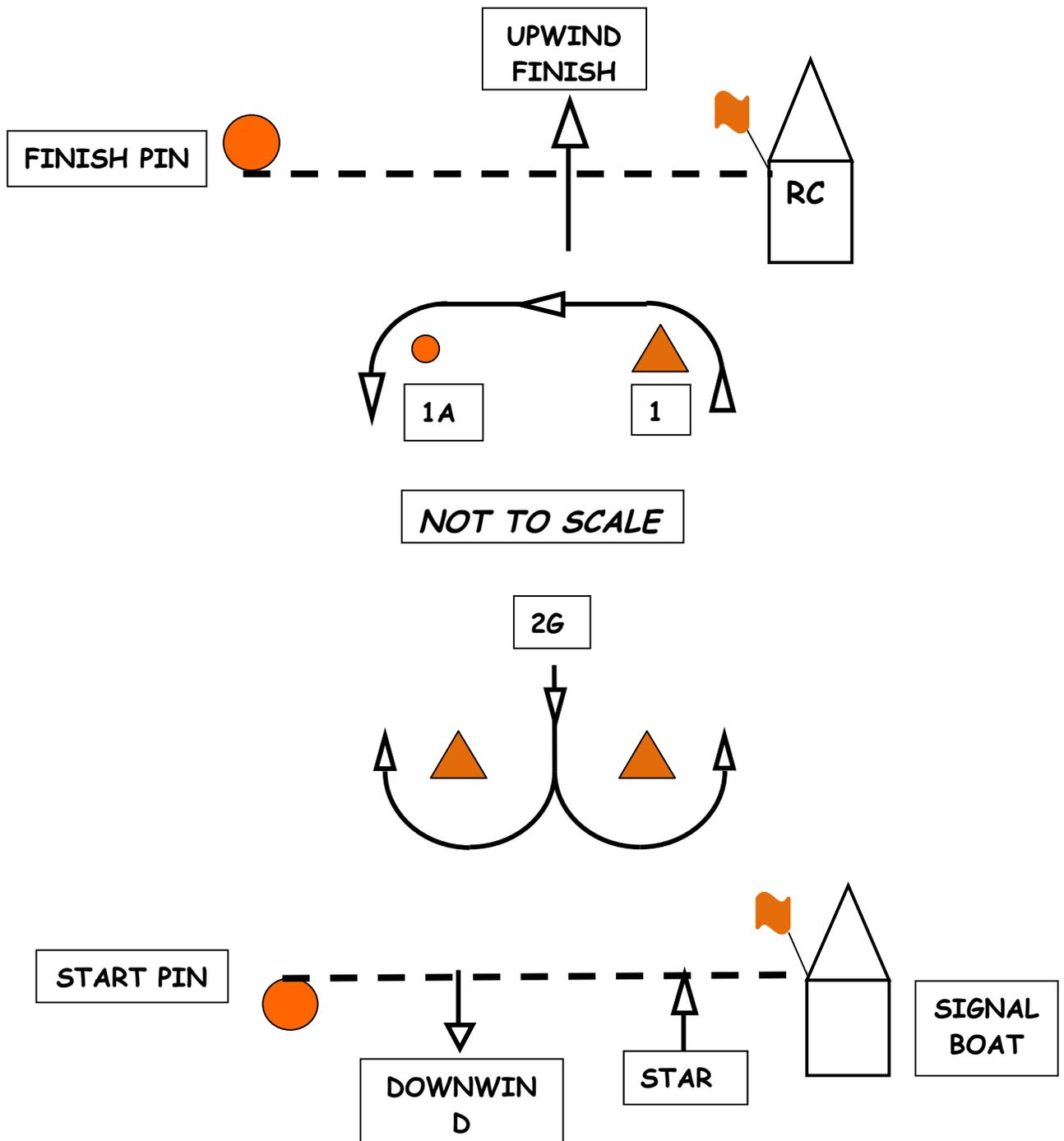
**20.2** Each competitor is reminded that the Fundamental Rules of Fair Play and Sportsmanship as stated in Part One of the RRS applies.

## **21. PRIZES**

Trophies will be awarded according to the Notice of Race.

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## WINDWARD-LEEWARD COURSE DIAGRAM



**COURSE 3: START-1-1A-2G-FINISH (upwind)**

**COURSE 4: START-1-1A-2G-1-1A-FINISH (downwind)**

**COURSE 5: START-1-1A-2G-1-1A-2G-FINISH (upwind)**

**NOTE: THIS DIAGRAM IS SCHEMATIC ONLY.**